

Self-Sacrifice

How was your week?

Do you feel that your spiritual walk is a living-Sacrifice? How?

If NOT what must be done to make it one?

Is it really necessary for me to make this sacrifice?

What consequence would it have if I stopped doing it?

Do you feel selfish or guilty when you prioritize your needs and desires over others'?

Do you believe your self-sacrifice is more of an obligation and not a voluntary action?

Do most of your relationships involve you giving more than you receive?

Romans 12:1-2

*How do people properly worship God?

*What is the most reasonable response to God's great mercy?

*How is the Christian to be different from unbelieving people?

*How should the mind of a Christian be changed?

*What must happen in order for a person to discern and agree with the will of God?

*When we are called to offer our bodies as a living sacrifice what is your first reaction?

*What do you think a living sacrifice might look like?

*How does this text clarify what God wants to do in my life?

*What do you think it would look like for you to intentionally live out this text in your life?

Hebrews 13:15-16

*When should we be praising God?

*What do you think counts as a sacrifice of praise?

*How can we openly profess his name?

*What is it important that it being called a "sacrifice?"

*What are some examples of doing good?

*Why do we need to be reminded not to forget to do good?

*When we think of sharing we often think of it in terms of children sharing. How can adults share?

*Why does verse 16 say we should share with others?

(What would that look like?)

1 John 2:15-17

- *What does “the world” refer to?
- *Does that mean we should not love trees and oceans and animals?
- *Why can we not love this world and God?
- *What kind of things are in the world? Give some real examples of ways the world/culture influence people in these areas?
- *How does worldly wisdom say we should handle these types of temptations?
- *What is the reason given for why we should love God instead of this world?
- *What is the result of loving God the most?
- *If we love the world still, what does that say about us?
- *How can you know which one you love more?
- *What is lust of the Flesh?
- *What is lust of the eyes?
- *What is the pride of life?

Psalms 1:1-6

- *What does it mean to walk in step with the wicked?
- *How can someone stand in the way sinners take?
- *What is meant by a company of mockers? What are they mocking?
- * How does v.2 help us to understand what it means to “meditate” on the word of God?
- *What should motivate us to meditate on the word of God?
- *What does a tree planted by a stream mean to you?
- *What kind of fruit and what season?
- *Wow does he describe the wicked? (What does that mean to you?)
- *What does verse 5 mean?
- *In what ways does the Lord watch over the ways of the righteous?

Psalms 147: 3-5

John 3:16