#### **Discussion Questions**

1. In what ways does the world try to "squeeze you into its mold?" How can this pressure be resisted?

2. "The Biblical context of sexual intercourse is the lifelong commitment in marriage between one man and one woman." Why is this the case? What danger is there in going outside these boundaries?

- 3. What would you say to someone who has crossed these boundaries and now bitterly regrets what he or she has done?
- 4. "Until we leave the rubbish behind we cannot enjoy the wonderful things God has for us." What do you think this means in practice?
- 5. What would you say to someone who found it difficult to believe that "God loves us as we are?"
- 6. How can we find out what are God's priorities for our lives?

- 7. What practical steps should we take if we discover an area of our life that has not been fully offered to God?
- 8. In what ways have you experienced the truth that "our faith may involve making sacrifices?"
- 9. God loves us and wants the very best for our lives. Why is it sometimes difficult to believe this?
- 10. What does it mean in practice to "look at Jesus?" How does this help in living the Christian life?



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### Introduction

What impact will becoming a Christian have on my life?

• Romans 12:1 - 21

Stand Out

Christians are called to be difference

We are to break from the past

Be Transformed

• Romans 12:2

Sincere love

• Romans 12:9

#### Enthusiasm for the Lord

• Romans 12:11

Harmonious relationships

• Romans 12:9 - 21

# **Present Yourself**

Ears Eyes

Mouth

• James 3:1 – 12

Hands Sexuality

Time

Ambitions

- Matthew 6:33
  Money
- Matthew 5:19 24

# Pay the Cost

• Romans 12:1

It will involve sacrifice

It might involve suffering

#### Trust God

• Romans 12:2

God has plans for our future

• Jeremiah 29:11

God knows best how to run our lives

#### **Gain Perspective**

Focus on Christ

Persevere

• Hebrews 12:1 - 2

# Conclusion

Our motivation for living the Christian life is the love of the Father

Our model in life is the example of the Son.

The means by which we live this life is the power of the Holy Spirit.