

SERMON NOTES
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Cultural Clamour
Sermon #8 of "Soul Series"

"If you don't make your own decisions, someone else will."
Ronald Reagan

Church On Sunday vs The Rest Of My Week

The problem with this line of reasoning is that we are not machines with software programs that can sort and file things away, separate from all the other parts of the system.

If even one swear word is too much for church on Sunday morning, tell me why is it Ok during the rest of the week?

Each image and message we ingest may be an insect that is eating at our core. This is how the devil works.

Matthew 7:13-14

"Enter by the narrow gate; for wide is the gate and broad is the way that leads to destruction, and there are many who go in by it. Because narrow is the gate and difficult is the way which leads to life, and there are few who find it. NKJV

"If I offered you some water from a well and told you there is an 80% chance it's not poisonous, you'd probably look for some bottled water instead."

Craig Groeschel
(Soul Detox)

1 Thessalonians 5:21-22

“..test everything that is said. Hold on to what is good. Stay away from every kind of evil. NLT

1. Am I Being Entertained By Sin

2. Is This Pleasing To God?

3. Does This Lure Me Away From Christ?

Does God need to transform your mind? Are you bound by images or actions of the past? God wants to renew you today.

QUESTIONS TO PONDER
Romans 12:1-8

1. Looking closely at Romans 12:1, what is the therefore, there for? (hint: look at chapter 11)
2. Compare Romans 12:1 with Romans 6:13,19 and Romans 8:13. What do these passages say about true worship?
3. It is no secret that in the church in Rome there was tension between the Jews and Gentiles. Why do you think Paul would take verse 3-8 of chapter 12 and discuss the interdependence between gifts?
4. What does it mean to you to be a living sacrifice to God? How can you present your body as a living sacrifice?

Prayer:

Lord, I desire nothing more than to be a living sacrifice to be used for Your honour and glory. Keep me from conforming to this world by allowing your Spirit to transform my mind

Amen