



CONFORMATION
VS.
TRANSFORMATION

— ROMANS 12:1-2 —

33 Oh, the depth of the riches both of the wisdom and knowledge of God! How unsearchable are His judgments and His ways past finding out!

34 “For who has known the mind of the Lord? Or who has become His counselor?”

35 “Or who has first given to Him And it shall be repaid to him?”

36 For of Him and through Him and to Him are all things, to whom be glory forever. Amen.

Romans 11:33-36

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1999 Chevy Astro Van

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Aston Martin

My DREAM Car

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16- For I am not ashamed of the gospel of Christ: for it is the power of God unto salvation to every one that believeth; to the Jew first, and also to the Greek.

17- For therein is the righteousness of God revealed from faith to faith: as it is written, The just shall live by faith. (Romans 1:16, 17 KJV)

For the wrath of God is revealed from heaven against all ungodliness and unrighteousness of men, who hold the truth in unrighteousness; (Romans 1:18 KJV)

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1-Therefore thou art inexcusable, O man, whosoever thou art that judgest: for wherein thou judgest another, thou condemnest thyself; for thou that judgest doest the same things.

2-But we are sure that the judgment of God is according to truth against them which commit such things. (Romans 2:1, 2 KJV)

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*9 What then? are we better than they? No, in no wise:
for we have before proved both Jews and Gentiles, that
they are all under sin;*

10 As it is written, There is none righteous, no, not one:

*11 There is none that understandeth, there is none that
seeketh after God.*

*12 They are all gone out of the way, they are together
become unprofitable; there is none that doeth good, no,
not one.*

*13 Their throat is an open sepulchre; with their tongues
they have used deceit; the poison of asps is under their
lips:*

14 Whose mouth is full of cursing and bitterness:

15 Their feet are swift to shed blood:

16 Destruction and misery are in their ways:

17 And the way of peace have they not known:

18- There is no fear of God before their eyes.

19- Now we know that what things soever the law saith, it saith to them who are under the law: that every mouth may be stopped, and all the world may become guilty before God. (Romans 3:18-19 KJV)

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Holy

Loving

Faithful

Eternal

Righteous

Creator

Almighty

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Just

Forgiving

Compassionate

Great

Judge

Gracious

Glorious

Good

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God's Character

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Forgiveness (Love)



This Relationship Can Work

In the cross I judge sin, but at the same time show love and forgiveness to sinners.

*22-Even the righteousness of God which is by
faith of Jesus Christ unto all and upon all
them that believe: for there is no difference:*

*23-For all have sinned, and come short of the
glory of God;*

*24- Being justified freely by his grace through
the redemption that is in Christ Jesus:*

(Romans 3:22-24 KJV)

1 Therefore, having been justified by faith, **we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ**, 2 through whom also **we have access by faith into this grace in which we stand**, and rejoice in hope of the glory of God. 3 And not only that, but **we also glory in tribulations**, knowing that tribulation produces perseverance; 4 and perseverance, character; and character, hope. 5 Now hope does not disappoint, because **the love of God has been poured out in our hearts by the Holy Spirit** who was given to us. 6 For when we were still without strength, in due time Christ died for the ungodly. 7 For scarcely for a righteous man will one die; yet perhaps for a good man someone would even dare to die. 8 But God demonstrates His own love toward us, in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us. 9 Much more then, having now been justified by His blood, we shall be saved from wrath through Him. 10 For if when we were enemies **we were reconciled to God** through the death of His Son, much more, having been reconciled, we shall be saved by His life. 11 And not only that, but we also rejoice in God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have now received the reconciliation.

III. 12:1-2 Sinners are right to sacrifice self.

A. Sinners sacrifice self by being different than the world.

B. Sinners sacrifice self by becoming like Christ.

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*There is therefore now **no
condemnation** to those who
are in Christ Jesus, who do not
walk according to the flesh, but
according to the Spirit.*

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3 For I say, through the grace given unto me, to every man that is among you, not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think; but to think soberly, according as

God hath dealt to every man the measure of faith.

4 For as we have many members in one body, and all members have not the same office:

5 So we, being many, are one body in Christ, and every one members one of another.

6 Having then gifts differing according to the grace that is given to us, whether prophecy, let us prophesy according to the proportion of faith;

7 Or ministry, let us wait on our ministering: or he that teacheth, on teaching;

8 Or he that exhorteth, on exhortation: he that giveth, let him do it with simplicity; he that ruleth, with diligence; he that sheweth mercy, with cheerfulness.

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