



**Week of May 30, 2021**

**Discussion Questions:**

1. Talk about an area of life where your thinking has changed. How do you behave differently?
2. Paul said, "Pain without gain is a shame." Have you ever seen someone have repeated pain, without learning or growing? In what season of your life did you re-enact pain over and over again, without growing.
3. Have several people read out loud Romans 12:1, stressing a different phrase each time. What do you hear God saying to you in this verse?
4. Read Romans 12:2. Contrast the word "conform" with "transformed". According to the Apostle Paul, what is the path to being transformed? Name our responsibility in this. What is God's part?
5. Paul said, "When you're renovating anything, what happens when you put on the new before taking off the old?" When renewing your mind, how is time your friend, not your enemy? How does patience help with transforming your thinking?

6. Name an area of your life right now where you need to ask, “What was I thinking?” How can the relationships in this group help you renew your mind?

### **Moving Forward**

Any area of your life where you find yourself asking the question, “What was I thinking?” needs a renewal of the mind. Name it. Take the time to ask God to help you evaluate your thinking. Submit to the process of tearing out that old way of thinking and ask God to transform the way that you think.

### **Romans 12:1-2**

Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God’s mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God—this is your true and proper worship.

Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God’s will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will.