

## Bringing Out Your Best

Romans 12:1-2 (Message)

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2 Don't become so well-adjusted to your culture that you fit into it without even thinking. Instead, fix your attention on God. You'll be changed from the inside out. Readily recognize what he wants from you, and quickly respond to it. Unlike the culture around you, always dragging you down to its level of immaturity, God brings the best out of you, develops well-formed maturity in you.

### Live By Faith

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### A Life Of Faith

Romans 10:10 For it is by believing in your heart that you are made right with God, and it is by openly declaring your faith that you are saved.

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### Know What You Believe

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### It By How You Behave

James 2:17 So you see, faith by itself isn't enough. Unless it produces good deeds, it is dead and useless.

19 You say you have faith, for you believe that there is one God. Good for you! Even the demons believe this, and they tremble in terror.

20 How foolish! Can't you see that faith without good deeds is useless?

24 So you see, we are shown to be right with God by what we do, not by faith alone.

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### Put God First

Colossians 1:18 Christ is also the head of the church, which is his body. He is the beginning, supreme over all who rise from the dead. So he is first in everything.

Revelation 22:13 I am the Alpha and the Omega, the First and the Last, the Beginning and the End."

God Wants To Be First When Making \_\_\_\_\_

Matthew 6:33 Seek the Kingdom of God above all else, and live righteously, and he will give you everything you need.

God Wants The First \_\_\_\_\_ Of Your Week

Exodus 20:8 “Remember to observe the Sabbath day by keeping it holy.

God Wants To Be First In The \_\_\_\_\_ Of Your Money

Matthew 23:23 “What sorrow awaits you teachers of religious law and you Pharisees. Hypocrites! For you are careful to tithe even the tiniest income from your herb gardens, but you ignore the more important aspects of the law— justice, mercy, and faith. You should tithe, yes, but do not neglect the more important things.

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\_\_\_\_\_ God To Be Faithful

Hebrews 11:6 And it is impossible to please God without faith. Anyone who wants to come to him must believe that God exists and that he rewards those who sincerely seek him.

Proverbs 3:5 Trust in the Lord with all your heart; do not depend on your own understanding.

6 Seek his will in all you do, and he will show you which path to take.

7 Don't be impressed with your own wisdom. Instead, fear the Lord and turn away from evil.

8 Then you will have healing for your body and strength for your bones.

9 Honor the Lord with your wealth and with the best part of everything you produce.

10 Then he will fill your barns with grain, and your vats will overflow with good wine.

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\_\_\_\_\_ Your Faithfulness

Hebrews 3:14 For if we are faithful to the end, trusting God just as firmly as when we first believed, we will share in all that belongs to Christ.

Hebrews 10:38 And my righteous ones will live by faith. But I will take no pleasure in anyone who turns away.”

39 But we are not like those who turn away from God to their own destruction. We are the faithful ones, whose souls will be saved.

Habakkuk 2:4 “Look at the proud! They trust in themselves, and their lives are crooked. But the righteous will live by their faithfulness to God.