

example of the Lord in Hebrews 9:14 and is accomplished by an act of devotion...the presenting of ourselves. For most of us this is a daily necessity. We easily forget our relationship with the Lord. Some of us are busy trying to run the universe or to complain about the way He does it. But if we were to present ourselves: given totally to Him, placed on the altar as an act of loving worship, much else that is hard on us would be different. It is the first step in rendering yourself useful to the testimony. It is very hard to be of service to the company when one is not of service to the Head of it..and we are not just talking about being somethingor doing something...we are talking about an attitude of life that sees us given to our Lord.

2. Aim to do the Lord's Will

Romans 12:2

We are told to prevent this world from making us conform to its image by being transformed through the determined commitment to the will of God. Conformity comes just from being pressed next to something. Transformation comes by virtue of a work that is within and eventually shows itself without. The mind is renewed to think after the pattern of godliness and then we test what God has for us knowing that it is good, acceptable, and perfect. What counts is the intention and the performance, of course. But we set a goal before us as a guide in our darkness and that goal is to do God's will. Since He is all wise His will is always correct and in the best interests of all parties. If we allow ourselves to be trained by the worldly concerns we will be frustrated. So we must renew our minds by the Holy Spirit and the re-directed thinking that sees us as living sacrifices. Then, thinking from a new and better perspective, we aim to do God's will. Our intention becomes that of fervent desire to do what He has given us in the Word.

3. Use Your Skills for the Body

Romans 12:3-5

The first thing is to have the correct impression of ourselves in vs. 3...to think not too