

**Sermon:** The Power of Mercy

**Scripture:** Romans 12:1-2

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**Romans 12:1-2 (ESV)**

*1 I appeal to you therefore, brothers, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and acceptable to God, which is your spiritual worship.*

*2 Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect.*

I. Make Mercy Your Motivation

**Romans 3:22-24 (ESV)**

*22 the righteousness of God through faith in Jesus Christ for all who believe. For there is no distinction:*

*23 for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God,*

*24 and are justified by his grace as a gift, through the redemption that is in Christ Jesus*

II. Make Mercy Your Power

**Romans 10:2-3 (ESV)**

*2 For I bear them witness that they have a zeal for God, but not according to knowledge.*

*3 For, being ignorant of the righteousness of God, and seeking to establish their own*

**Romans 12:12 (ESV)**

*12 Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer.*

**Romans 12:17 (ESV)**

*17 Do not repay anyone evil for evil. Be careful to do what is right in the eyes of everyone.*

**Romans 12:19 (ESV)**

*19 Do not take revenge, my dear friends, but leave room for God's wrath, for it is written:*

*"It is mine to avenge; I will repay," says the Lord.*

**Book recommended by Jeff Norris:**

[The God Impulse](#), by Jack Alexander

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