The Christian’s Reasonable Service
Romans 12:1-2

Introduction:
A. A Christian’s reasonable service is more than church membership and regular attendance.
B. A Christian’s reasonable service includes several fundamental attitudes.

Discussion

I. The Right Attitude Toward God.
   A. A desire to be acceptable unto God (v. 1)
      1. Reflected by holiness.
      2. Reflected by sacrifice (Total surrender)
   B. A transformed mind attuned to the will of God (v. 2).
      1. Reflected by non-conformity to world.
      2. Reflected by transformation of life.
   C. Fervent and happy service (vv. 11-12)

II. The Right Attitude Toward Self.
   A. Not think too highly of self (v. 3-8)
      1. No right to flaunt any ability God gives.
      2. No right to disregard any ability God gives.
   B. Neither conceited (v. 16) nor too timid (cf. Matt. 25:25).

III. The Right Attitude Toward Others.
   A. Sincere and impartial love of brethren (v. 9).
      1. Abhors evil and loves good in brethren.
      2. Kind affection (v. 10).
      3. Prefer they be honored over self (v. 10).
      4. Benevolence and hospitality (13).
   B. Rejoice and weep with others (v. 15).
   C. Desire peace with all men (v. 18).
      1. Bless persecutors (v. 14).
      2. Avoid retaliation (v. 17-21)
      3. Leave vengeance to God (v. 19; cf. 13:4).

Conclusion:
A. Present you body a living sacrifice today — obey the gospel.
B. Fulfill you reasonable service day by day.