

# DON'T NEGLECT THIS GREAT GOOD NEWS

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ROMANS 12:1-2 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. <sup>2</sup> 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.

2. **The consequences of \_\_\_\_\_ this great Good News are \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.** (v. 2-3a)

3. **The Lord has \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ demonstrated the trustworthiness of the Gospel.** (v. 3b-4)

- Jesus made some incredible claims, that certainly, if true, have a profound impact on you, personally.
- Jesus claimed . . .
  - a. He is the \_\_\_\_\_. (Matthew 16:15-17)
  - b. He has the \_\_\_\_\_ to forgive sins. (Mark 2:10)
  - c. He has \_\_\_\_\_ over death. (John 2:19)
  - d. He is the \_\_\_\_\_ to God the Father. (John 14:6)

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## 2. The consequences of neglecting this great Good News are catastrophically and irrevocably eternal. (v. 2-3a)

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