
Your Reasonable Service
(Romans 12: 1-2)

Intro: In verse one of the text, we have Paul telling the Romans and us what reasonable service is.

- A) Man has always worshipped something that they believe is a God figure.
 - 1) Acts 17 -- Athens shows us this.

- I However, if there is a reasonable way to worship God, then there must be an unreasonable way.
 - A) One way to be unreasonable is to not know how to worship a god.
 - 1) Acts 17:22-23
 - 2) Would any god want his worshippers to not know how? Or, in this verse, not know who?

 - B) Another way is to know who/how to worship the true God, but not do it.
 - 1) Jer. 8:7-9; Isa 55:8; Eph 2:2-3; Matt. 23:9; Matt. 6:6-8

- II What then is Reasonable Service? Rom. 12:1 tells us.
 - A) Present your bodies a living sacrifice.
 - 1) Not being a stumbling block -- Rom. 14:16-21
 - 2) Not to yield our bodies as instruments to unrighteousness
 - 3) Love not the things of this world but store up treasures in Heaven.

 - B) Holy
 - 1) Be Holy -- I Pet. 1:13-16
 - 2) How? -- II Cor. 7:1; Phil. 4:7-8; Why? Because we were created as such, then sin in lives, then being reconciled back to holy state -- Eph. 4:24

 - C) Acceptable.
 - 1) Heb. 13:12-16; I Pet. 2:5.

Concl: Rom. 12: 2 -- We can do reasonable service!