

POWERLIFE

DATE: Oct. 1, 2025

SERIES: BE DIFFERENT!

TOPIC: “BE A LIVING AND HOLY SACRAFICE!”

Big Questions: What does it mean to live your life for God? What “sacrifices” have you made to follow Jesus? How is your life different TODAY, because you believe in God? What are some examples of the ways you can “give your body to God?” (see Romans 12:1)

Takeaway: Over the next three weeks, we are going to study the SAME Bible passage (**Romans 12:1-3**) each Wednesday night! We are going to look at each verse (in detail) to better understand God’s plan for our life! This week our MAIN FOCUS is to start a conversation about what it looks like to “give our bodies to God” as we worship him with our life!

GETTING STARTED

- **WELCOME!** Anyone NEW tonight? Be sure they get supplies (if REGISTERED) For those who are just visiting as a friend, they can get supplies after they officially register.
- **TAKE ATTENDANCE!** If you have any students on your roster who did not show, please make notes if you have an update. Or, if anyone knows them, please text them!
 - Please make notes, and we can follow up with their families as well!

SMALL GROUP COVENANT!

- Take time to make (or REVIEW) what you would like to include in your group covenant! Students should share their expectations, and leaders should share theirs, too!
- **NOTE: Each Student and Leader** in your group should sign these covenants!
- **Leave them in your folders for FUTURE reference (every week if needed!)**

CONNECTION QUESTION

- Have ONE STUDENT in your group pick a question to start! (see the Connection sheet)
- **OR go around and share HIGHS/LOWS**
 - (what’s going well right now or what’s not so great at the moment?)
- **OR use the BIG QUESTIONS (list above) to get your conversation started!**

WEEKEND WORSHIP JOURNALS

- Please make sure everyone is using their Weekend Worship Journal! The goal is to complete the ENTIRE booklet this Fall! Students who do so will receive a PRIZE (that they can redeem at the leader table).

OPEN YOUR BIBLES!

- **Remind students to bring their Bibles EVERY Week!**
 - (we have extras in the atrium if anyone needs to borrow for the night!)
- Have students **TURN to PAGES 1356-1357** in their GREEN PowerLife Bible!
 - Have a student (or two) share an insight about the book of Romans.
 - Who wrote it? When? Why? (see the “At a Glance” section)
 - **TURN to PAGE 1358** in the GREEN PowerLife Bible (see MAP!)
 - Where was Paul writing from? To who? What other observations?
- **NOTE:** encourage students to work together & find the pages. **HIGHLIGHT** each verse!
 - **(NEW TESTAMENT) Romans 12:1 (page 1373)**
 - *What does Paul say we should do with our bodies? (give them to God!)*
 - *WHY does Paul say we should do this? (b/c of All God has done for us!)*
 - **QUESTION: Ask students, what has God done for you?**
 - *Why is that important to you?*
 - **ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS:**
 - *What does it mean to live your life for God? (share examples)*
 - *What is a “sacrifice” you have made in order to follow Jesus?*
 - *How is your life different TODAY, because you believe in God?*
 - *What are some examples of the ways you can “give your body to God?”*
- **FOLLOW UP FROM LAST WEEK:**
 - How did you do with OPENING your BIBLE last week? Any stories to share?

PRAY TO END THE NIGHT!

- IDEAS: (pick one! Or multiple!)
 - Ask if any STUDENTS want to close the time in prayer?
 - Leaders say a prayer of Gratitude and Blessing over the group!
 - Say the Lord’s Prayer (“Our Father...”)

CHECK OUT AT THE LEADER TABLE!

- Please take a moment to return your folder (and roster attendance) to the leader table. If you have feedback or notes, please leave those with us as well!!

RETREAT DETAILS!

- 6th Grade Retreat – **THIS Saturday, Oct. 4** (arrive at Hope find your group in the bridge)
 - **LEADERS arrive by 7:00AM // STUDENTS arrive by 7:15AM**
- 8th Grade Retreat – coming up Saturday, Oct. 18 (please work on YES/NO/MAYBE form)
- 7th Grade Retreat – coming up Sat/Sun, Nov 15/16 (more details coming soon!)

THANK YOU!! HAVE A GREAT REST OF YOUR WEEK!