LifeConnect Group Questions

February 7, 2010 "The Power of a New Identity" Romans 12.1-8

Getting started...

- When you were a teenager, how did peer pressure affect the way you dressed? The way you acted?
- If you went to the trouble of picking out a special present for someone you loved, wrapped it up all nicely, and presented it to that person and then s/he just set it aside without opening it, how would you feel?

Going deeper...

- How can you offer your 'body' as a living sacrifice?
- What does Romans 12.1 add to your understanding of true worship (see also Romans 6.13 and Romans 8.13)?
- What are some of the ways you tend to conform to the world?
- How does "renewing your mind" happen? (See verse 2.)

Growing to the next level...

- This is one of the main texts that describe our "spiritual gifts". They are special abilities that God gives to members of the body of Christ to serve and build up the church in important ways. How clear is your sense of the gifts God has given you? Have you discovered your gifts? Are you using them?
- Are you inclined to "think of yourself more highly than you ought"? Or do you dismiss your gifting as hardly contributing to the efforts of kingdom building for God?
- What holds you back from using your gifts more fully?

Listen to Pastor Don Ralph's message to get further insights into this Bible passage. What did he say that encouraged you, challenged you?