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*“Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God’s will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will.” (Romans 12:2)*

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This means we must experience a change in how we think and act, how we perceive the world around us, and how we spend our time. The goals we pursue must be in line with God’s will. If we truly desire to please God, we must be transformed by the renewing of our minds. This can only come about when we allow God’s Word to penetrate our innermost being. If we expect to see God operating in our lives, we must decide which audience—God or self—we are trying to please. The world seeks to gain our attention and allegiance by directing our steps away from God. In order to please God, we need to separate from the world through the transformation of our ideas and thoughts. To be transformed by the power of his Word will enable us to break away from the crowd.

We constantly and consistently must evaluate our motives and goals to make sure our objective is to please God, not self. The old way of living and doing things has passed. It is no longer us who live, but Christ who lives in us. God has created us, in Christ Jesus, to do new works that he has planned for us!

## **Heart Deposit**

In what ways are you trying to please God? In what ways are you trapped by trying to please yourself? Ask God to give you new desires and direction in order to pursue the things that he desires for you!

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*"You were taught, with regard to your former way of life, to put off your old self, which is being corrupted by its deceitful desires; to be made new in the attitude of your minds; and to put on the new self, created to be like God in true righteousness and holiness."* (Ephesians 4:22-24)

*"And we all, who with unveiled faces contemplate the Lord's glory, are being transformed into his image with ever-increasing glory, which comes from the Lord, who is the Spirit."* (2 Corinthians 3:18)