

Romans 12:1-3

²Do 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.

- God's will:**
- a. The right _____ when it is not obvious
 - b. The right _____ in any given situation
 - c. The right _____ when plans change
 - d. An _____ outcome in a difficult situation
 - e. Correct _____ for my life
 - f. How, When, and Where to be doing _____

- World:**
- a. A life guide _____ of God
 - b. Thought _____ based in selfishness, pride, Satan's lies
 - c. Both good and bad philosophies that lead _____ from God
 - d. A _____ designed and maintained by Satan to hide God from mankind - even to the point of producing false gods.

- Conform:**
- a. _____ one with the majority in behavior, thoughts, attitudes
 - b. _____ compromise to increase with the goal of acceptance
 - c. Listening and embracing the ideals and goals of another

- Transform:**
- a. _____ from the natural to the unnatural.
 - b. Intentionally _____ into something new and better.

Illustration: The Christian life is like a very slow moving escalator. With just a little effort - you can overcome and climb; but if you ever stop - you move backwards and lose what ground you have managed to gain.

Other Translations:

NLT: Don't copy the behavior and customs of this world, but let God transform you into a new person by changing the way you think. Then you will learn to know God's will for you, which is good and pleasing and perfect.

AMP: Do not be conformed to this world (this age), [fashioned after and adapted to its external, superficial customs], but be transformed (changed) by the entire renewal of your mind [by its new ideals and its new attitude], so that you may prove [for yourselves] what is the good and acceptable and perfect will of God, *even* the thing which is good and acceptable and perfect in His sight for you.

PDV: ***Don't be satisfied being the person you were before Jesus, and don't allow yourself to become a Christian that influenced by anything other than God. Instead, gain a daily spiritual victory by regularly refueling your mind with Godly and righteous data input. Then you will know how to live a life pleasing to God and be able to make good decisions.***

How do you transform (refuel) you mind?

1. [Use the Five-Day Reading Plan](#)
2. One Bible book per month plan
3. Study Bibles like MacArthur Study Bible, The Evidence Bible
4. Podcasts in the car such as *Grace to You* with John MacArthur, *Youth Apologetics*, *Turning Point* with David Jeremiah, *Walk in the Word* with James MacDonald, *A New Beginning* with Greg Laurie, *Let My People Think* with Ravi Zacharias, *Wretched Radio* with Todd Friel, *Love Worth Finding* with Adrian Rogers.
5. Online Bible Helps such as [The Bible Project](#), [Real Truth Real Quick](#), [Got Questions](#), [Christian Apologetics and Research Ministry](#), [Bible Questions and Answers](#)
6. Good books by solid authors
7. Christian music: 30-day challenge
8. Limit the political, social media, wellness, worldview voices in your life

New Year Challenge: Start _____, start _____, start _____, start an additional