

THE POWER OF GOD'S WORD

**“For the word of God is living and powerful,
and sharper than any two-edged sword,
piercing even to the division of soul and spirit,
and of joints and marrow, and is a discerner
of the thoughts and intents of the heart.”**

(Hebrews 4:12)

THE BOOK OF ROMANS

“Not Ashamed of the Gospel”

“For I am *not ashamed of the gospel* of Christ,
for it is the power of God to salvation for everyone
who believes, for the Jew first and also for the Greek.
For in it the *righteousness of God* is revealed from faith to faith;
as it is written, ‘The just shall live by faith.’”
(Romans 1:16,17)

OUTLINE OF ROMANS

“Not Ashamed of the Gospel”

- I. God’s Righteousness Revealed *Chapters 1–8*
- II. God’s Righteousness Vindicated *Chapters 9–11*
- III. God’s Righteousness Applied *Chapters 12–16*

OUTLINE OF ROMANS

“Not Ashamed of the Gospel”

III. God’s Righteousness Applied *Chapters 12–16*

A. Service to God: *“A Living Sacrifice”* (Chapter 12)

(1) Consecration for Service (vv 1,2)

(2) Characteristics of Service (vv 3–13)

(3) Confidence in Service (vv 14–21)

(1) Consecration for Service

(Romans 12:1,2)

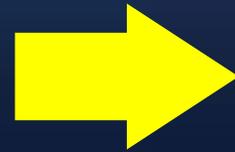
1 I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that you present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable to God, which is your reasonable service.

2 And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, that you may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God.

(1) Consecration for Service

(Romans 12:1,2)

**Be A Living
Sacrifice**



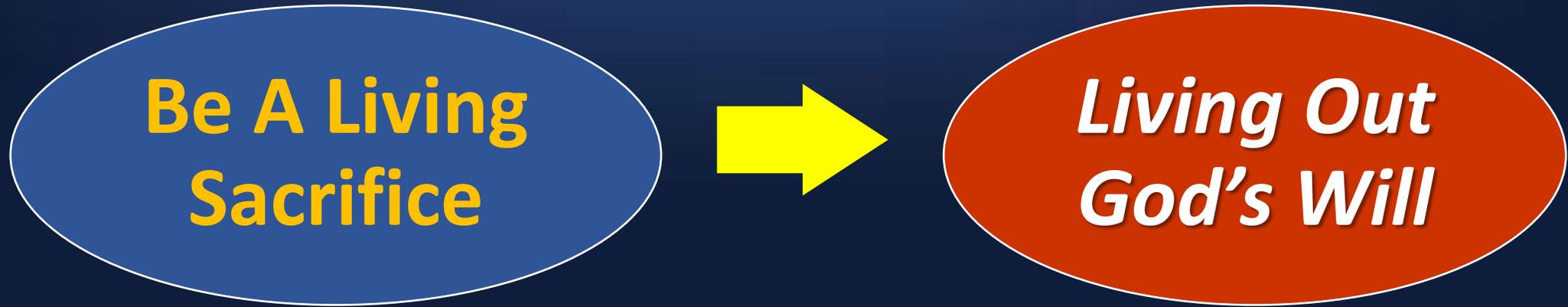
***Living Out
God's Will***

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2 "... prove *(the)* perfect will of God."

(1) Consecration for Service

(Romans 12:1,2)



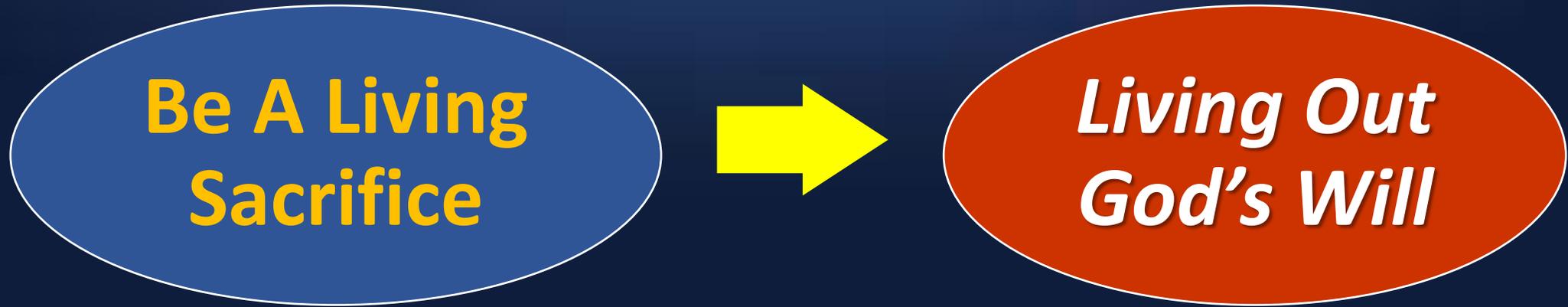
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“holy, acceptable”

“Conscious of, and Shunning Sin”

(1) Consecration for Service

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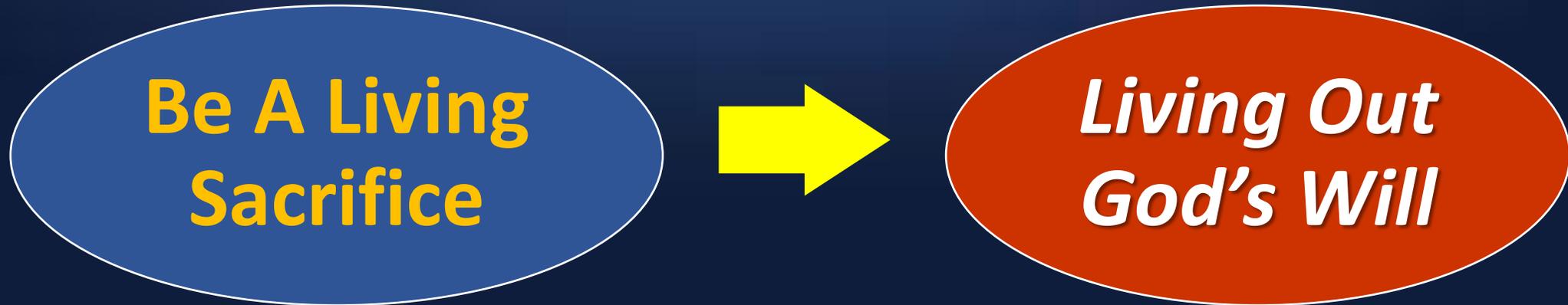
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“transformed by the renewing of your mind”

“To Change after Being With”

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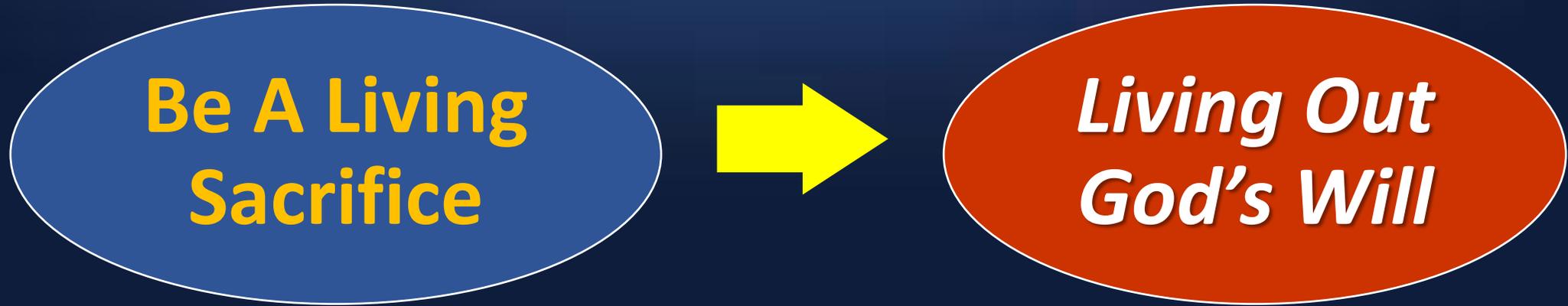
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“good and acceptable and perfect”

“No Evil, but God–Pleasing, and Lacking Nothing”

(1) Consecration for Service

(Romans 12:1,2)



1 "I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the *mercies of God* ..."

"mercies of God"

"God's Extravagant Graces; Not our Merit"

(1) Consecration for Service

(Romans 12:1,2)

*“So the Lord said to Cain, ‘Why are you angry?
And why has your countenance fallen? If you do well, will you
not be accepted? And if you do not do well, sin lies at the door.
And its desire is for you, but you should rule over it.’”*

(Genesis 4:6,7)