

E. **Experiences**: What are my life **experiences**?

*"3 Blessed be... the God of all comfort,  
4 who comforts us in all our tribulation, that we may be able  
to comfort those who are in any trouble, with the comfort  
with which we ourselves are comforted by God. "*

II Corinthians 1:3a-4

1. **Spiritual** Experiences.
2. **Painful** Experiences.
3. **Educational** Experiences.
4. **Ministry** Experiences.

II. COOPERATE WITH OTHER BELIEVERS (Romans 12:4-5)

"It takes ten hands to score two points."  
- John Wooden, Former U.C.L.A. Basketball Coach

- A. Every member is a **minister** in Christ's body (v.4a).
- B. Every member has a **different** function (v.4b).
- C. Every member's ministry is **important** (v.5a).
- D. Every member **belongs** to the others (v.5b).

III. APPLY YOURSELF (Romans 12:6-8)

*"Do not neglect the gift that is in you,..."* I Timothy 4:14a

**MAKE 2018 A YEAR OF TRANSFORMING  
YOUR SERVICE**

**TRANSFORMED:  
FOUR CHANGES TO YOUR BEST YEAR EVER**  
Transforming Your Service  
**Pastor Steve Reynolds**

**INTRODUCTION**

A. Make 2018 your best year ever! If you always do what you've always done, you will always get what you've always gotten. It's time to transform your life. In the Transformed four part teaching series Pastor Steve Reynolds will lead you through a study of Romans 12.

*"...be transformed..."*

Romans 12:2b

B. In this series, you will discover four changes to your BEST year ever.

Jan 14	Transforming Your Body
Jan 21	Transforming Your Mind
TODAY	Transforming Your Service
Feb 4	Transforming Your Relationships

C. **TEXT**: Romans 12:3-8 (Pew Bible/Pg. 1176/New Test.)

What is one major change you would like to make to your service in 2018?

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## HOW TO TRANSFORM YOUR SERVICE

- Our Philosophy is **Every** Member A Minister.

*"10 As each one has received a gift, minister it to one another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God.*

*11 ... that in all things God may be glorified."* I Peter 4:10-11b

The **Reality** of Spiritual Gifts (4:10a).

The **Reason** for Spiritual Gifts (4:10b).

The **Requirement** for Spiritual Gifts (4:10c).

The **Result** of Spiritual Gifts (4:11).

Objective: To see every member of our church minister with their spiritual gifts as good stewards for the glory of God.

- The basic **problems** in lay ministry:

**Disuse** - Uninvolved People - Lack Commitment.

**Misuse** - Unqualified People - Lack Training.

**Abuse** - Over Worked People - Lack Help.

### I. EVALUATE YOURSELF (Romans 12:3)

*"But now God has set the members, each one of them, in the body just as He pleased. "* I Corinthians 12:18

- A. **Spiritual Gifts**: What am I **gifted** to do?

*"Therefore I remind you to stir up the gift of God which is in you.... "* II Timothy 1:6a

Four Ways To Identify Your Spiritual Gifts:

1. Your gifts will come **naturally** (no imitation).
2. Your gifts will produce **joy**.
3. Your gifts will give you a sense of **fulfillment**.
4. Your gifts will require a **minimum** of effort and will result in a **maximum** of effectiveness.

- B. **Heart**: What do I **love** to do?

*"Delight yourself also in the LORD, And He shall give you the desires of your heart."* Psalm 37:4

*"This is a faithful saying: If a man desires the position of a bishop, he desires a good work. "* I Timothy 3:1

- C. **Abilities**: What are my natural **talents** and **skills**?

*"And I have filled him with the Spirit of God, in wisdom, in understanding, in knowledge, and in all manner of workmanship, "* Exodus 31:3

- D. **Personality**: Where does my **temperament** best suit me to serve?

*"Your hands have made me and fashioned me, An intricate unity; Yet You would destroy me."* Job 10:8