

## **Romans 12:1-2**

Life in Wisdom's House 13. In Sum, Christlike

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- I. God's Wisdom Manifest
  - A. The Plan of Redemption
  - B. Through the Son
  - C. In His Infallible Word
- II. God's Wisdom Displayed
  - A. Character
  - B. Perspective
  - C. Pursuit
- III. God's Wisdom Pursued
  - A. Character
  - B. Perspective
  - C. Pursuit

*... be Christlike.*

### **Children, Listen ...**

1. Where do we learn how to love and obey God?
2. Can you name some ways Jesus shows us how to love and obey God?
3. What will you do to help yourself grow in your faith in Jesus?

## **Transformational Wisdom**

Being Christlike might be appreciated by some people of the world, but many will find it offensive. The ways and wisdom of God are in such contrast to the ways and so-called wisdom of the world that there is bound to be conflict with the worldly minded. But the truly wise have counted the cost and are willing to pay the price of pursuing godliness and seeking first the Kingdom of God despite the godlessness they are surrounded by and the constant friction with the kingdom of darkness they experience. Jesus is our prime example of what such wisdom looks like. Is your highest ambition to be like Jesus in character and perspective? If so, you know it will require God's sanctifying grace at work in you. But you also know it involves the diligent use of the means of grace God provides for the lifelong process dying to sin and living unto righteousness. It will not always be easy as there is inner refining to undergo on the inside and pressure to conform to the world from the outside. The wise know it is worth it all because God is working in us what is pleasing to Him, the He will bring it to completion, and because one day, when we see Jesus face to face, we will be like Him, because we shall see him as He is.