

## Vision Puzzle: Developing Active Participation (Part 3)

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Building the Church Series

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- I. Getting Started as a Disciple (Rom. 12)
  - A. Saved by God's grace through faith (Eph. 2:8-9)
  - B. Created for good works (Eph. 2:10)
  - C. Transformed by a new mindset (Rom. 12:1-3)
    1. An appeal to be a living sacrifice (v. 1)
      - Sacrifice
      - Life ("body")
      - No excuses!
    - a. Holy and acceptable
    - b. Reasonable service
      - i. *Logikos* (reason) *Latria* (sacred service)
      - ii. Worship
      - iii. Giving back our bodies (lives), which were created in Christ for good works (Eph. 2:10)
    - c. Be transformed (v. 2)
      - i. Sacrificing your body leads to a new way of thinking in Christ
      - ii. Carefully test ("recognize as genuine after examination")
    - d. Beware of pride (v. 3)
  - D. Understanding our role as disciples/ being part of one body (v. 4-5)
    1. Being active in the body using gifts God has assigned (v. 6-8)