

FAITH MAIL
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The Outcome Of Being A Living Sacrifice

Brothers and Sisters,

"I want to be like Yahshua!" This desire resonates deeply with many of us. What's truly amazing is this: Yahweh's express intention for everyone born into His family is to transform us into the likeness of His Son! We're chosen to mirror Yahshua - Romans 8:29; Ephesians 1:5. How incredible is that! However, this transformation goes beyond the forgiveness of our sins. Yahweh wants to completely renew our lives so we genuinely reflect His Son in morality and attitude.

Yahshua's life is the ultimate model for believers, and He wants us to follow His example (1 John 2:6). Paul, addressing the believers in Rome, encouraged them to do something that may seem startling to modern believers: "*I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of [Yahweh's] mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to [Elohim]*" (Romans 12:1, NIVUK). How do you feel about dedicating your entire 'self' to live for Yahweh's honour and purpose? Are you ready to commit to that?

> *". . . the Son of Man came not to be served but to serve others and to give his life as a ransom for many."*
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> (Mark 10:45, NLT)

Yahshua fully embraced the concept of being a 'living sacrifice'. This is evident throughout His ministry, but it's most vividly demonstrated by His willing surrender of His life on the cross for the world's sins – a sacrifice that pleased the Father. Yahshua calls us to follow His lead (John 12:24-26). The impact of that sacrifice opened the door to salvation for all people, in every place and every age. Yes, that ONE sacrifice accomplished more than we can ever imagine.

Do you still want to live like Yahshua? If so, listen to the Spirit's call to offer your life as a 'living sacrifice' to Yahweh. Surrendering this way may lead to outcomes beyond anything you've ever imagined in your service. By presenting yourself like this, you open the door for Yahweh to work through you in remarkable ways. Your selfless dedication will not only transform the lives of those around you but will also bring fulfilment to your own life. Furthermore, it will bring joy to the Father, which is the ultimate desire of every child.

Are you ready to be a 'living sacrifice'?

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