



Conforming to the Image of Jesus Christ **GULF SHORES CHURCH OF CHRIST**

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Text: **Romans 8:28-30**

Introduction: When we read the book of Romans, we can see the vision of Paul for the New Testament church. We can observe the way the gospel compelled him to preach and how His love for God influenced every aspect of his life. When we look into the mirror what do we see? Paul hopes that one day you will see Jesus! How do we do that? Let's see what the Bible says.....

Discussion:

I

Become an IMITATOR of Christ

I Corinthians 11:1, Ephesians 5:1-2, II Corinthians 3:18

M

Seek the MIND of Christ

I Corinthians 2:16, Isaiah 40:13, Philippians 2:5-8

A

ADOPT the spirit of Christ

Romans 8:9-11, Philippians 1:19-21, Acts 4:13

G

Be GRAFTED into the ministry of Christ

Acts 2:42, John 15:1-8, Ephesians 4:11-16, Galatians 5:22-23

E

EVERYDAY we must die to ourselves

Colossians 2:12, Romans 6:3-6, Romans 12:1-2, Galatians 2:20

Conclusion: We know that we can never substitute for Jesus, but we can be a living example of Jesus to someone else. When the kingdom of God is within us, we become Jesus to world, and are empowered by the Holy Spirit. People need to see the spirit of the Lord within us and in everything we say or do. Have you been living in the light of His image or are you still lost in darkness? Will you conform?

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