

## Be a Non-conformist

Rom 12:1 - I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice, holy, acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service.

Be like Amasiah who "who willingly offered himself unto the LORD" (2Ch 17:16)

Don't love this world

"Love not the world, neither the things that are in the world. If any man love the world, the love of the Father is not in him." (1Jo 2:15)

"...know ye not that the friendship of the world is enmity with God? whosoever therefore will be a friend of the world is the enemy of God." (Jam 4:4)

Learn to be viewed as weird by the world

"For the time past of our life may suffice us to have wrought the will of the Gentiles, when we walked in lasciviousness, lusts, excess of wine, revellings, banquetings, and abominable idolatries: Wherein they think it strange that ye run not with them to the same excess of riot, speaking evil of you: " (1Pe 4:3-4)

Be happy when you are spoken evil of

"Blessed are they which are persecuted for righteousness' sake: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. Blessed are ye, when men shall revile you, and persecute you, and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely, for my sake. Rejoice, and be exceeding glad: for great is your reward in heaven: for so persecuted they the prophets which were before you. " (Mat 5:10-12)

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"And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, that ye may prove what is that good, and acceptable, and perfect, will of God." (Rom 12:2)

Don't follow the crowds

- You don't have to have the latest fashion
- You don't have to go into debt like the world
- Don't be afraid to be a contrarian:
  - Religion
  - Politics
  - Medicine
  - Food
  - Media
  - Economics
  - Investments
  - Foreign Policy
  - Conspiracy