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Consecrate (KJV definition):

To make or declare to be sacred, by certain ceremonies or rites; to appropriate to sacred uses; to set apart, dedicate, or devote, to the service and worship of God.

A consecrated life

romans 12:1-2 (NIV)

¹ Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God—this is your true and proper worship.

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² <u>Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by by the renewing of your mind</u>. Then you will be able to <u>test and approve what God's will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will</u>.

1. A life of worship

1 corinthians 10:31

³¹ Therefore, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God.

john 15:8 (ESV)

⁸ By this my Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit and so prove to be my disciples.

2. A life of holiness

galatians 5:16-23

¹⁶ I say then: Walk in the Spirit, and you shall not fulfil the lust of the flesh. ¹⁷ For the flesh lusts against the Spirit, and the Spirit against the flesh; and these are contrary to one another, so that you do not do the things that you wish. ¹⁸ But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under the law. ¹⁹ Now the works of the flesh are evident, which are: adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lewdness, ²⁰ idolatry, sorcery, hatred, contentions, jealousies, outbursts of wrath, selfish ambitions, dissensions, heresies, ²¹ envy, murders, drunkenness, revelries, and the like; of which I tell you beforehand, just as I also told you in time past, that those who practice such things will not inherit the kingdom of God. ²² But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, ²³ gentleness, self-control. Against such there is no law.

3. A life of transformation

2 corinthians 3:17-18

¹⁷ Now the Lord is the Spirit; and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is liberty. ¹⁸ But we all, with unveiled face, beholding as in a mirror the glory of the Lord, are being transformed into the same image from glory to glory, just as by the Spirit of the Lord.

4. A life of doing His will

matthew 6:33

³³ But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you.

matthew 16:24-25

²⁴ Then Jesus said to His disciples, "If anyone desires to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow Me.²⁵ For whoever desires to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for My sake will find it.