

**Go Against the Flow**  
**Jumping Hurdles – Part 4**  
Life Church St. Louis – September 26, 2021  
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*Romans 12:2 (ESV) Do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewal of your mind, that by testing you may discern what is the will of God, what is good and acceptable and perfect.*

*Matthew 7:13-14 (ESV) “Enter by the narrow gate. For the gate is wide and the way is easy that leads to destruction, and those who enter by it are many. For the gate is narrow and the way is hard that leads to life, and those who find it are few.*

**1. Live a lifestyle of \_\_\_\_\_**

*2 Chronicles 29:4-5 (ESV) He brought in the priests and the Levites and assembled them ... and said to them, “Hear me, Levites! Now consecrate yourselves, and consecrate the house of the LORD, the God of your fathers, and carry out the filth from the Holy Place.*

*2 Chronicles 29:31 (ESV) Then Hezekiah said, “You have now consecrated yourselves to the LORD. Come near; bring sacrifices and thank offerings to the house of the LORD.” And the assembly brought sacrifices and thank offerings, and all who were of a willing heart brought burnt offerings.*

*2 Chronicles 29:36 (ESV) And Hezekiah and all the people rejoiced because God had provided for the people, for the thing came about suddenly.*

**2. Live to follow God’s \_\_\_\_\_**

*2 Chronicles 30:1 (ESV) Hezekiah sent to all Israel and Judah, and wrote letters also to Ephraim and Manasseh, that they should come to the house of the LORD at Jerusalem to keep the Passover to the LORD, the God of Israel.*

*2 Chronicles 30:22 (ESV) And Hezekiah spoke encouragingly to all the Levites who showed good skill in the service of the LORD. So they ate the food of the festival for seven days, sacrificing peace offerings and giving thanks to the LORD, the God of their fathers.*

*2 Chronicles 30:27 (ESV) Then the priests and the Levites arose and blessed the people, and their voice was heard, and their prayer came to his holy habitation in heaven.*

**3. Live in God’s protecting \_\_\_\_\_**

*2 Chronicles 32:8 (ESV) With him is an arm of flesh, but with us is the LORD our God, to help us and to fight our battles.” And the people took confidence from the words of Hezekiah king of Judah.*

*2 Chronicles 32:19 (ESV) And they spoke of the God of Jerusalem as they spoke of the gods of the peoples of the earth, which are the work of men’s hands.*

*2 Chronicles 32:20-21a (ESV) Then Hezekiah the king and Isaiah the prophet, the son of Amoz, prayed because of this and cried to heaven. And the LORD sent an angel, who cut off all the mighty warriors and commanders and officers in the camp of the king of Assyria.*

**Action Plan for This Week**

Have a daily time of Bible reading & prayer (2 Chronicles 29-32))  
 Mon  Tue  Wed  Thu  Fri  Sat  Sun

Invite a friend to attend the service next week.

How will I obey God’s Word this week? \_\_\_\_\_

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# Go Against the Flow Study Guide

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Intro. Describe what it means to be conformed to this world (Romans 12:2).

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1A. Why was it significant that Hezekiah began his reforms with the priests and Levites (2 Chronicles 29:4-5)?

1B. What steps did Hezekiah and the people take to see the worship of God restored in Judah (2 Chronicles 29:36)?

1C. Why is thanksgiving an important component of spiritual renewal (2 Chronicles 29:36)?

1D. Why is it important to worship both with the church family and individually?

2A. Why is unity critical to spiritual reform and revival (2 Chronicles 30:1)?

2B. Why is presenting offerings an important part of worship (2 Chronicles 30:22)?

2C. How does spiritual reform impact prayer (2 Chronicles 30:27)?

2D. In what ways can you move from simply knowing God's Word to applying it to your life?

3A. How did Hezekiah's statement reflect his faith in God (2 Chronicles 32:8)?

3B. How did the Assyrians blaspheme the Lord (2 Chronicles 32:19)?

3C. How did Hezekiah respond to the threats from Sennacherib (2 Chronicles 32:20-21)? How did God respond to his prayer?

3D. How should we respond to an attack of the enemy after a spiritual victory?