

Study Questions – Romans 12:1-21

Rom. 12:1 Therefore I urge you, brethren, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies a living and holy sacrifice, acceptable to God, *which is* your spiritual service of worship. ² And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, so that you may prove what the will of God is, that which is good and acceptable and perfect.

Rom. 12:3 For through the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think more highly of himself than he ought to think; but to think so as to have sound judgment, as God has allotted to each a measure of faith. ⁴ For just as we have many members in one body and all the members do not have the same function, ⁵ so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually members one of another. ⁶ Since we have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us, *each of us is to exercise them accordingly*: if prophecy, according to the proportion of his faith; ⁷ if service, in his serving; or he who teaches, in his teaching; ⁸ or he who exhorts, in his exhortation; he who gives, with liberality; he who leads, with diligence; he who shows mercy, with cheerfulness.

Rom. 12:9 *Let love be* without hypocrisy. Abhor what is evil; cling to what is good. ¹⁰ *Be* devoted to one another in brotherly love; give preference to one another in honor; ¹¹ not lagging behind in diligence, fervent in spirit, serving the Lord; ¹² rejoicing in hope, persevering in tribulation, devoted to prayer, ¹³ contributing to the needs of the saints, practicing hospitality.

Rom. 12:14 Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse. ¹⁵ Rejoice with those who rejoice, and weep with those who weep. ¹⁶ Be of the same mind toward one another; do not be haughty in mind, but associate with the lowly. Do not be wise in your own estimation. ¹⁷ Never pay back evil for evil to anyone. Respect what is right in the sight of all men. ¹⁸ If possible, so far as it depends on you, be at peace with all men. ¹⁹ Never take your own revenge, beloved, but leave room for the wrath *of God*, for it is written, “VENGEANCE IS MINE, I WILL REPAY,” says the Lord. ²⁰ “BUT IF YOUR ENEMY IS HUNGRY, FEED HIM, AND IF HE IS THIRSTY, GIVE HIM A DRINK; FOR IN SO DOING YOU WILL HEAP BURNING COALS ON HIS HEAD.” ²¹ Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

1. What is your spiritual service of worship? (12:1)
2. What does it mean to “present your bodies a living and holy sacrifice”? (12:1)
3. (A) How could you present your body as a living and holy sacrifice today? (12:1)
4. To what are you NOT to be conformed? (12:2a)
5. How are you to be transformed? (12:2b)
6. For what purpose are you to be transformed by the renewing of your mind? (12:2c)
7. (A) How do you prove the “good and acceptable and perfect” will of God? (12:2bc)
8. How should you NOT think of yourself? (12:3a)
9. By what measure are you to exercise sound judgment? (12:3b)
10. What does the one body in Christ have? How do they differ from one another? (12:4-5)
11. List the seven gifts that differ according to the grace given to us and how these gifts are to be exercised. (12:6-8)
 - (a)
 - (b)
 - (c)
 - (d)
 - (e)
 - (f)
 - (g)
12. (A) Which spiritual gift(s) do you have? How are you exercising it/them?
13. List 26 exhortations in Romans 12:9-21.
 - (a)
 - (b)
 - (c)
 - (d)
 - (e)
 - (f)
 - (g)
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14. On a scale of 1-5, evaluate yourself according to each of the previous exhortations by placing a number in the margin that reflects how often you act accordingly: (0=Never 1=Rarely 2=Sometimes 3=Occasionally 4=Often 5=Always).

15. Which of Paul's exhortations most encourages you?

16. Which of Paul's exhortations most convicts you?

17. Which of Paul's exhortations will you commit to prayer and practice this week?

18. What do you learn about God in Rom 12:1-21? How could you apply this truth to your life?

Write a prayer response to Rom 12:1-21.