



Romans 12

Therefore, I urge you, brothers,
in view of God's mercy,
to offer your bodies as living sacrifices,
holy and pleasing to God—
this is your spiritual act of worship.

Romans 12:1

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

Romans 12:2

For by the grace given me
I say to every one of you:
Do not think of yourself
more highly than you ought,
but rather think of yourself
with sober judgment, in accordance with
the measure of faith God has given you.

Romans 12:3

Just as each of us has one body
with many members,
and these members do not all have the
same function, so in Christ we who are
many form one body,
and each member
belongs to all the others.

Romans 12:4-5

We have different gifts,
according to the grace given us.
If a man's gift is prophesying,
let him use it
in proportion to his faith.

Romans 12:6

If it is serving, let him serve;
if it is teaching, let him teach;
if it is encouraging, let him encourage;
if it is contributing to the needs of others,
let him give generously;
if it is leadership, let him govern diligently;
if it is showing mercy, let him do it cheerfully.

Romans 12:7-8

Love must be sincere.
Hate what is evil;
cling to what is good.

Romans 12:9

Be devoted to one another
in brotherly love.
Honor one another above yourselves.

Romans 12:10

Never be lacking in zeal,
but keep your spiritual fervor,
serving the Lord.

Romans 12:11

Be joyful in hope,
patient in affliction,
faithful in prayer.

Romans 12:12

Share with God's people
who are in need.
Practice hospitality.

Romans 12:13

Bless those who persecute you;
bless and do not curse.

Romans 12:14

Rejoice with those who rejoice;
mourn with those who mourn.

Romans 12:15

Live in harmony with one another.
Do not be proud,
but be willing to
associate with people of low position.
Do not be conceited.

Romans 12:16

Do not repay anyone evil for evil.
Be careful to
do what is right
in the eyes
of everybody.

Romans 12:17

If it is possible,
as far as it depends on you,
live at peace with everyone.

Romans 12:18

Do not take revenge, my friends,
but leave room for God's wrath,
for it is written:

"It is mine to avenge;
I will repay," says the Lord.

Romans 12:19

On the contrary:
"If your enemy is hungry, feed him;
if he is thirsty,
give him something to drink.
In doing this,
you will heap burning coals on his head."

Romans 12:20
(Proverbs 25:21-22)

Do not be overcome by evil,
but overcome evil with good.

Romans 12:21