

Romans 12 Living As A Living Sacrifice

1 ¶ I beseech you therefore, brethren, by the mercies of God, that ye 1) present your bodies a living sacrifice, 2) holy, 3) acceptable unto God, which is your reasonable service.

2 And 1) be not conformed to this world: but 2) be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind, 3) that ye may prove what is that a) good, and b) acceptable, and c) perfect, will of God.

Romans 12 In Review

I. Not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think;

II. think soberly,

III. As Members of the Body in offices

(according as the measure of faith:Which Cometh by (Rom 10:17-20) The Word, The Ear to Hear, A Provoking, A Seeking):

- 1. prophecy, let us prophesy according to the proportion of faith;*
- 2. vr7 Or ministry, let us wait on our ministering:*
- 3. or he that teacheth, on teaching;*
- 4. vr8 Or he that exhorteth, on exhortation:*
- 5. he that giveth, let him do it with simplicity;*
- 6. he that ruleth, with diligence;*
- 7. he that sheweth mercy, with cheerfulness.*

Romans 12:9-16 Twenty Points On Christian Character

1. *vr9 Let love be without dissimulation.*

Strong's Exhaustive: 505 ανυποκριτος an-oo-pok'-ree-tos AV-unfeigned 4, without dissimulation 1, without hypocrisy 1; 6x unfeigned, undisguised, sincere

Noah Webster: DISSIMULATION, n. [L., to make like; like.] The act of dissembling; a hiding under a false appearance; a feigning; false pretension; hypocrisy.

2. *Abhor that which is evil;*

Noah Webster: E'VIL, a. e'vl. [Heb. to be unjust or injurious, to defraud.]

- 1. Having bad qualities of a natural kind; mischievous; having qualities which tend to injury, or to produce mischief.*
- 2. Having bad qualities of a moral kind; wicked; corrupt; perverse; wrong; as evil thoughts; evil deeds; evil speaking; an evil generation.*
- 3. Unfortunate; unhappy; producing sorrow, distress, injury or calamity; as evil tidings; evil arrows; evil days.*

3. *cleave to that which is good.*

Phil 4:8 Finally, brethren, whatsoever things are true, whatsoever things are honest, whatsoever things are just, whatsoever things are pure, whatsoever things are lovely, whatsoever things are of good report; if there be any virtue, and if there be any praise, think on these things.

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4. vr10 Be kindly affectioned one to another with brotherly love;

*2Peter 1:5 And beside this, giving all diligence, add to your faith virtue; and to virtue knowledge; 6 And to knowledge temperance; and to temperance patience; and to patience godliness; 7 And to godliness **brotherly kindness**; and to brotherly kindness charity.*

Brotherly Kindness: That temperament which delights in contributing to the happiness of others, which is exercised cheerfully in gratifying their wishes, supplying their wants, or alleviating their distresses...

5. in honour preferring one another;



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6. vr11 Not slothful in business;

Pr 12:27 The slothful man roasteth not that which he took in hunting: but the substance of a diligent man is precious.... 18:9 He also that is slothful in his work is brother to him that is a great waster.... 19:24 A slothful man hideth his hand in his bosom, and will not so much as bring it to his mouth again.... 21:25 The desire of the slothful killeth him; for his hands refuse to labour.... 22:13, 26:13 The slothful man saith, There is a lion without, I shall be slain in the streets.... 26:14 As the door turneth upon his hinges, so doth the slothful upon his bed. 26:15 The slothful hideth his hand in his bosom; it grieveth him to bring it again to his mouth.

Mt 25:26 His lord answered and said unto him, Thou wicked and slothful servant, thou knewest that I reap where I sowed not, and gather where I have not strawed:

7. fervent in spirit;

Strong's Exhaustive: FERVENT to boil with heat

8. serving the Lord;



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9. vr12 Rejoicing in hope; Joyful and confident expectation of good.

Ps 16:9 Therefore my heart is glad, and my glory rejoiceth: my flesh also shall rest in hope. ... 31:24 Be of good courage, and he shall strengthen your heart, all ye that hope in the LORD.... 33:18 Behold, the eye of the LORD is upon them that fear him, upon them that hope in his mercy;... 33:22 Let thy mercy, O LORD, be upon us, according as we hope in thee.... 38:15 For in thee, O LORD, do I hope: thou wilt hear, O Lord my God.... 39:7 And now, Lord, what wait I for? my hope is in thee.... 42:5,11 Why art thou cast down, O my soul? and why art thou disquieted in me? hope thou in God: for I shall yet praise him for the help of his countenance. Ps 71:5 For thou art my hope, O Lord GOD: thou art my trust from my youth.... 71:14 But I will hope continually, and will yet praise thee more and more.... 78:7 That they might set their hope in God, and not forget the works of God, but keep his commandments:... 119:49 ZAIN. Remember the word unto thy servant, upon which thou hast caused me to hope.

10. patient in tribulation;

11. continuing instant in prayer;

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12. vr13 Distributing to the necessity of saints;

Faith Promise Giving – Church Offering

Benevolence Giving – Church Benevolence

Benevolence Giving – Individually

Baptist Handshake... With a \$20 slid into the hand.

13. given to hospitality.

Strong's Exhaustive: 5381 φιλοξενια philoxenia fil-ox-en-ee'-ah from 5382; n f

AV-hospitality 1, lover of strangers 1; 2x love to strangers, hospitality

5382 hospitable, generous to guests

1Ti 3:2 A bishop then must be ... given to hospitality

Tit 1:7-8 7 For a bishop must be ... not given to filthy lucre; But a lover of hospitality,

1Pe 4:9 Use hospitality one to another without grudging.

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14. vr14 Bless them which persecute you: bless, and curse not.

Noah Webster: PER'SECUTE, v.t. [L. persequor; per and sequor, to pursue.]

1. In a general sense, to pursue in a manner to injure, vex or afflict; to harass with unjust punishment or penalties for supposed offenses; to inflict pain from hatred or malignity.

Dr. Edward Rice: BLESS v (not sure if its transitive or indicative)

Do something for someone that they cannot do for themselves.

May God bless you.... You are such a blessing.... Bless God.... Be a Blessing

Bless you too Brother Virgil... Doright Family.

15. vr15 Rejoice with them that do rejoice,

16. and weep with them that weep.

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17. vr16 Be of the same mind one toward another.

18. Mind not high things,

1Tim 1:4 Neither give heed to fables and endless genealogies, which minister questions, rather than godly edifying which is in faith: so do. 5 ¶ Now the end of the commandment is charity out of a pure heart, and of a good conscience, and of faith unfeigned: 6 From which some having swerved have turned aside unto vain jangling; 7 Desiring to be teachers of the law; understanding neither what they say, nor whereof they affirm.

19. but condescend to men of low estate.

Noah Webster: CONDESCEND, v.i. [L. See Descend.]

- 1. To descend from the privileges of superior rank or dignity,*
- 2. To recede from ones rights in negotiation,*
- 3. To stoop or descend; to yield; to submit; implying a relinquishment of rank, or dignity of character*

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20. Be not wise in your own conceits. (wise in your own self)

Noah Webster: CONCEIT, n. [L., to take or seize.]

- 1. Conception; that which is conceived, imagined, or formed in the mind; idea; thought; image.*
- 2. Understanding; power or faculty of conceiving;*
- 3. Opinion; notion; fancy; imagination; fantastic notion;*

REPROBATE, a. [L. reprobatus, reprobo, to disallow; re and probo, to prove.]

- 1. Not enduring proof or trial; not of standard purity or fineness; disallowed; rejected.*
- 2. Abandoned in sin; lost to virtue or grace.*
- 3. Abandoned to error, or in apostasy. 2 Tim 3.*

We have come full circle: For I say, through the grace given unto me, to every man that is among you, not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think;... (Rom 12:3)

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