

# *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;*



## Romans 12:9-16 Twenty Points On Christian Character cont.

### 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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