



Δ Radically Transformed Life

Romans 12:3-21

#18 in a series on Romans

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Radically transformed perspectives.

1. A humble and realistic attitude.
(3, 10, 16; see also 12:10; 14:3; 15:5; 2 Corinthians 13:11; Philippians 2:3-8; 4:2; James 1:5-8)
2. A wholesome spiritual life. (11-13, 15; see also Galatians 6:10)
3. A new operating principle.
(4-5; see also 1 Corinthians 12:12-27; Ephesians 1:22-23; 4:1-16; 5:23, 29-30; Colossians 1:18, 24; 2:19; 3:15)
4. A correct approach to defeating evil. (14, 17, 19-21; see also Matthew 5:38-42; 7:12)

Radically transformed service.

1. God gives every believer grace for service. (6; see also Ephesians 4:7-8; 1 Peter 4:10)
2. Some examples. (6-8; see also 1 Corinthians 12:4-11; Ephesians 4:7-16; 1 Peter 4:10-11)

Radically transformed relationships.

1. Make love the glue of your relationships. (9, 10, 13, 15; see also 1 Thessalonians 5:21)
2. Be on a perpetual peace mission. (18; see also 14:19; Matthew 5:9; John 14:27; 15:12; Romans 5:8)

In My Life This Week

As you use this daily guide, write out your observations and responses on a separate piece of paper and save them with this sheet for reference.

Monday. Read Romans 12:1-21. Look back at the outline and notes from last week on 12:1-2. In preparation for the specifics in verses 3-21, review your response and standing with respect to being transformed by God to be like Christ, listing specific areas of progress and any where there has been little progress.

Tuesday. A God-transformed life has a radically different perspective. Review the four areas listed in the outline. As you look at the last few days in light of these areas, what do you see? Is it more difficult to see your strengths or your weaknesses accurately? Remember God's promise to keep on working in you until the work is done when you see Him face to face.

Wednesday. God transforms us to be His servants. He has given you and every believer grace so you can serve Him (see verse 6 and 1 Peter 4:10). Paul gives examples of spiritual gifts or abilities God gives in verses 4-8. As you review those, and other lists noted in the outline, think about God's grace to you and how you are responding to it. Remember that God has gone ahead of you and prepared good works for you to walk in (see Ephesians 2:10).

Thursday. Part of God's transformation of you is to transform your relationships so that His love is now the glue that holds them together. Go over verses 9, 10, 13 and 15 identifying which facets of this love are the most easy and the most difficult for you. Then also, are you on a perpetual peace mission?

Friday–Saturday. On Sunday we plan to look at 13:1-14. Read these verses as you prepare for our time together.