



# Remarkable Truths From Romans

May 26, 2026  
led by Mary Lowman

## The Humanly Impossible Calling of Every Christian

### Romans 12:9 - 21

- Verse 9: Let love be genuine. Abhor what is evil; hold fast to what is good.
- Verse 10: Love one another with brotherly affection. Outdo one another in showing honor.
- Verse 11: Do not be slothful in zeal, be fervent in spirit, serve the Lord.
- Verse 12: Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer.
- Verse 13: Contribute to the needs of the saints and seek to show hospitality.
- Verse 14: Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them.
- Verse 15: Rejoice with those who rejoice, weep with those who weep.
- Verse 16: Live in harmony with one another. Do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly. Never be wise in your own sight.
- Verse 17: Repay no one evil for evil, but give thought to do what is honorable in the sight of all.
- Verse 18: If possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all.
- Verse 19: Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave it to the wrath of God, for it is written, "Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord."
- Verse 20: To the contrary, "if your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him something to drink; for by so doing you will heap burning coals on his head."
- Verse 21: Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.



These thirteen verses in Romans 12 can seem overwhelming!

How can one simple woman incorporate all these commands/suggestions/challenges into her life?

ROMANS 12:9-21  
Living it out every day  
by God's grace. ♥

**But we know the answer:** We have the Holy Spirit!

This is counter-cultural living; this is swimming upstream living. This is what Jesus told us to do:

**Matthew 5:16:** *In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.*

Paul focuses on three areas which are part of our *sanctification* process:

First, **Our devotion to God**

- Let love be genuine. Abhor evil; cling to good. (Verse 9)
- Rejoice in hope. Be patient in tribulation. Be constant in prayer (Verse 12)
- Do not be slothful in zeal. Be fervent in spirit. Serve the Lord. (Verse 11)

Second, **Our love toward believers**

- Contribute to the needs of the saints and seek to show hospitality. (Verse 13)
- Rejoice with those who rejoice. Weep with those who weep. (Verse 15)
- Live in harmony with one another. Do not be haughty, but associate with the lowly. Never be wise in your own sight. (Verse 16)
- Love one another with brotherly affection. Outdo one another in showing honor. (Vs 10)

Third, **Our grace toward all people**

- Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them. (Verse 14)
- Repay no one evil for evil, but give thought to do what is honorable in the sight of all. (Verse 17)
- If possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. (Verse 18)
- Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave it to the wrath of God, for it is written, "Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord." (Verse 19)
- To the contrary, "if your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him something to drink; for by so doing you will heap burning coals on his head." (Verse 20)
- Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good. (Verse 21)