

# ROMANS BIBLE STUDY QUESTIONS 5/10/20 Romans 12

1 And so, dear brothers and sisters, I plead with you to give your bodies to God because of all He has done for you. Let them be a living and holy sacrifice—the kind He will find acceptable. This is truly the way to worship Him. 2 Don't copy the behavior and customs of this world, but let God transform you into a new person by changing the way you think. Then you will learn to know God's will for you, which is good and pleasing and perfect..... 9 Don't just pretend to love others. Really love them. Hate what is wrong. Hold tightly to what is good. 10 Love each other with genuine affection, and take delight in honoring each other. 11 Never be lazy, but work hard and serve the Lord enthusiastically. 12 Rejoice in our confident hope. Be patient in trouble, and keep on praying. 13 When God's people are in need, be ready to help them. Always be eager to practice hospitality.

14 Bless those who persecute you. Don't curse them; pray that God will bless them. 15 Be happy with those who are happy, and weep with those who weep. 16 Live in harmony with each other. Don't be too proud to enjoy the company of ordinary people. And don't think you know it all! 17 Never pay back evil with more evil. Do things in such a way that everyone can see you are honorable. 18 Do all that you can to live in peace with everyone. 19 Dear friends, never take revenge. Leave that to the righteous anger of God. For the Scriptures say, "I will take revenge; I will pay them back," says the Lord.

20 Instead, "If your enemies are hungry, feed them. If they are thirsty, give them something to drink. In doing this, you will heap burning coals of shame on their heads." 21 Don't let evil conquer you, but conquer evil by doing good.

1. How does the instructions in verses 1-2 effect our actions in 9-21?
2. What are the two great living sacrifices found in the Bible? How were they the same? Different?
3. What steps does Paul outline for us to dedicate ourselves to the Lord in vss 1-2?
4. How does God transform our minds? What is our part in this?
5. List the "Do's" and "Don'ts" in this passage?
6. What is the difference in sharing the "offense of the cross" [Galatians 5:11; 6:12-15] and being offensive?
7. How do the instructions in verses 9-13 differ from those in 14-21?
8. If an enemy breaks into your house and threatens to kill your family should you offer them a meal and a drink?
9. What does heaping coals of fire on someone's head mean?