

Romans 12.1-21

BEFORE THE STUDY

Read Romans 12.1-21

- 1. What things do we learn about God in this passage?**
- 2. What things do we learn about humans in this passage?**
- 3. Where can you see Jesus shining through?**
- 4. What things can I do or think as a result of what I have learned?**

DURING THE STUDY

Read Romans 12:1-3

1. Consider the word 'sacrifice' in verse 1.
 - a. Is Paul talking about offering sacrifice for sin? Why or why not? (Compare Romans 3:21-26.)
 - b. So then, what does it mean to be a "living sacrifice"?
2. What do you think it means to be "conformed to this world":
 - a. at work?
 - b. in your family?
 - c. in your daily routine?

Read Romans 12:4-8.

5. A renewed mind leads to a new way of thinking about ourselves. In verses 4-8, this then flows on to how we relate to others. What does the person with the renewed mind do with the gifts God has given?
6. Christians often think of 'worship' as something that happens in church. What does Romans 12 have to say about this?

Read Romans 12:9-13.

7. How do these verses illustrate what 'love' means in practice?

Read Romans 12:14-21.

8. Read Deuteronomy 32:34-43 and Proverbs 25:21-22 (the passages that are quoted in verses 19-20). What do these verses tell us about God's vengeance? What do we lose if we forget this?

Pray