



## ROMANS 12:3-8

<sup>3</sup> For by the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think of himself more highly than he ought to think, but to think with sober judgment, each according to the measure of faith that God has assigned. <sup>4</sup> For as in one body we have many members, and the members do not all have the same function, <sup>5</sup> so we, though many, are one body in Christ, and individually members one of another. <sup>6</sup> Having gifts that differ according to the grace given to us, let us use them: if prophecy, in proportion to our faith; <sup>7</sup> if service, in our serving; the one who teaches, in his teaching; <sup>8</sup> the one who exhorts, in his exhortation; the one who contributes, in generosity; the one who leads, with zeal; the one who does acts of mercy, with cheerfulness. (Romans 12:3-8)

### Introduction

- Romans 1:16-17 is the theme verse for Romans, and Romans 12:1-2 is the theme verse for the final five chapters of Romans.
- Paul assumed that Christians (noun) would live distinctly “\_\_\_\_\_” (adjective) lives (Romans 12:1-2 ... Leviticus 11:44, 1 Peter 1:16).
- Paul argued that conformity to the image of Christ was God’s plan in eternity \_\_\_\_\_, God’s plan in our \_\_\_\_\_ sufferings, and God’s plan in eternity \_\_\_\_\_ (Romans 8:18-39).

## A "Christian" Life

- A "Christian" life is to be lived in \_\_\_\_\_ (Romans 12:1-8 ... Romans 12:5, 12:10, 12:16, 13:8, 14:13, 15:5, 15:7, 15:14, 16:16).
- A "Christian" life is to be lived in \_\_\_\_\_ (Romans 12:3).
  - The key to true humility is understanding that \_\_\_\_\_ is a \_\_\_\_\_ (1 Corinthians 4:6-7, Ephesians 2:8-9).
- A "Christian" life is to be lived in \_\_\_\_\_ with Christ and other believers (Romans 12:4-5).
  - \_\_\_\_\_ is the ordinance that marks the beginning of our union with Christ.
  - \_\_\_\_\_ is the ordinance that marks our ongoing union with Christ.
- A "Christian" life is to be lived in \_\_\_\_\_ (Romans 12:6-8 ... Romans 12:6-8, 1 Corinthians 12-14, Ephesians 4:11-16, 1 Peter 4:10-11 ... 1 Corinthians 12:27-31, Ephesians 2:20, 3:5, 4:11, 2 Peter 3:2).
  - Every Christian has a spiritual gift (1 Corinthians 12:4-6), but individual Christians should worry less about their \_\_\_\_\_ gifting and more about the \_\_\_\_\_ around them (1 Corinthians 12:7).
  - Every Christian should be salt and light in the world, but the focus of spiritual gifts is \_\_\_\_\_ up the \_\_\_\_\_ (1 Corinthians 12:7, Ephesians 4:11-16 ... Matthew 16:18).
- A "Christian" life is to be lived with \_\_\_\_\_ (Romans 12:6-8).