

## Romans 12 Outline

### I. AN APPEAL TO CONSECRATION (1-2)

#### A. PRESENT YOUR BODIES AS LIVING SACRIFICES (1)

1. In view of the mercies of God (1a)
2. Which is your reasonable (spiritual, NAS) service (1b)

#### B. BE TRANSFORMED, NOT CONFORMED TO THE WORLD (2)

1. By the renewing of your mind (2a)
2. To prove the good, acceptable, and perfect will God (2b)

### II. SERVE GOD AS MEMBERS OF ONE BODY (3-8)

#### A. WITH HUMILITY (3)

1. In all seriousness (3a)
2. For what we are comes from God (3b)

#### B. WITH APPRECIATION FOR DIVERSITY (4-5)

1. Members do not have the same function (4)
2. But we are one, members of one another (5)

#### C. WITH ZEAL, NO MATTER WHAT OUR GIFTS (6-8)

### III. MISCELLANEOUS EXHORTATIONS (9-21)

#### A. AS CHRISTIANS (9-16)

1. Concerning love, good and evil (9)
2. Loving and honoring brethren (10)
3. Fervent in our service (11)
4. Rejoicing, patient, prayerful (12)
5. Caring for saints (13)
6. Blessing our enemies (14)
7. Sharing joys and sorrows (15)
8. Humble in our relations together (16)

#### B. RESPONDING TO EVIL (17-21)

1. Do not repay with evil, be mindful of what is good (17)
2. If possible, be at peace (18)
3. Give place to the wrath of God (19)
4. Overcome evil by responding with good (20-21)

### WORDS TO PONDER

**the mercies of God** - the many blessings alluded to in the first eleven chapters

**a living sacrifice** - an offering that is living, not dead

**conform** - "to fashion or shape one thing like another... this verb has more special reference to that which is transitory, changeable, unstable" (VINE) - this word is different than that found in [Romans 8:29](#)

**transform** - "to change into another form; [as used in [Ro 12:2](#)] to undergo a complete change, which under the power of God, will find expression in character and conduct" (VINE)

**overcome evil with good** - the goal of the Christian's response to evil