

“HUMBLE COMMUNITY: THE GODLY LIFE IS A HUMBLE LIFE”

Romans 12:1-21

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Main Theme: *We kill pride and cultivate humility by acting on behalf of others including our enemies.*

I. The Order of Life (12:1-2)

- A. Two great areas of biblical truth.
 - 1. Romans 1-11: Doctrine/Theology.
 - 2. Romans 12-15: Practice/Ethics.
- B. Order is essential to the meaning of things.

II. The First Part of a Godly Life (12:3-8)

- A. Humility is the unifying theme of Romans 12.
 - 1. A brief discussion of Humility.
- B. Each of us has a spiritual gift from God.
 - 1. Use your spiritual gift to serve God and others.

III. The Christian an Extremist (12:9-21)

- A. Verse 14: An important textual problem.
- B. Personal relationships versus the role of the civil magistrate.
- C. Paul's ethical instructions are uniquely Christian.

Conclusion/Application

- A. Paul sets before us an extreme/demanding ethic.
 - 1. Nothing will make it possible except for the love of Jesus Christ for us who were His enemies and an ardent desire to honor that love and to practice it in our own small way.