



A Living Sacrifice: Romans 12:9-11

Thank you for reading this week's, Parent Review. This past week was a great time as we continued our study of Romans 12. I hope this tool will be a blessing to you and help you disciple your student!

⁹ Let love be genuine. Abhor what is evil; hold fast to what is good. ¹⁰ Love one another with brotherly affection. Outdo one another in showing honor. ¹¹ Do not be slothful in zeal, be fervent in spirit, serve the Lord.

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We broke this passage down verse by verse to see what the text is trying to relay to us... here were the takeaways!

1. Abhor what is evil; hold fast to what is good.

A. The word abhor only shows up one time in the NT... right here. This word carries a connotation of both disgust and hatred.

I challenged the students by asking them these questions...

- This is how Paul says we should treat evil. Do we do this when we encounter evil?? Or do we let it linger, and play with it?? Maybe even make jokes about it or participate when we think nobody is looking??

B. Hold fast can be translated literally as “be glued to”. It’s like being joined together.

- We are called to be joined together to the things that please God.
- Only God is good... so everything that is of Him will lead us closer in our pursuit of ETERNAL LIFE!

2. Love one another with brotherly affection, outdo one another in showing honor

It is literally Godly to show affection to each other, I mean situationally appropriate obviously... but it is!

- I shared with them a good rule of the thumb, the 10/5 Rule.
- If someone is 10 feet from you and you see them, you say hello, and if someone is 5 feet or closer, you shake their hand. Of course, different situations call for different interactions, but our default should be to show BROTHERLY AFFECTION!

B. Outdo one another in showing honor

How do we show honor to one another?? Showing preference to one another. For example...

- If you see someone from church at school... TALK TO THEM! 😊
- Let your love be genuine! Even in public.
- Make your church family a priority, over your own wants and desires, because this is showing honor.

3. Do not be slothful in zeal, be fervent in spirit, serve the Lord.

At this point we started discussing how if we are not lazy (slothful in zeal), and fervent in spirit (in tune with the Holy Spirit), that this will produce serving the Lord!

- If we see someone who needs help, we help them.
- If we love God, then we will love His people and desire to serve them!

I left them with these 3 questions to think and pray about, and no matter the answers to these questions, that the Lord can change their heart because of His Word!

1. Do you hate what God hates, and love what God loves?
2. Do you show brotherly affection to all your church family? And do you care about honoring them?
3. Are you lazy when it comes to the faith? And to God's church?

Thank you for reading this weeks, Youth Review! Please feel free to reach out with any questions you have about the lesson. Also do not hesitate to send feedback on it! I am so excited for what is doing! Love you guys, let's make some disciples! – Wesley