

Questions on Romans chapter 12

1. Upon what basis does Paul beseech or appeal to Christians to render service or worship to God from the heart, soul, or reason? Verse 1.

2. What is the difference in being conformed and transformed? Verse 2.

3. What does it mean to think soberly? What is to be the measuring instrument of our thinking? Verse 3.

4. What is the meaning of the word “office”? Verse 4.

5. How will the idea of our being “everyone members one of another” prevent the “high-mindedness” of verse 3? Verse 5.

6. What does it mean “to prophesy”? Verse 6.

7. What is the difference in “ministry” and “teaching”? Verse 7.

8. Would every member have these four gifts? What would these gifts require? Verse 8.

9. Of the seven gifts mentioned in these verses, which ones would require supernatural ability? Verses 6-8.

10. What is “dissimulation”? Is an awareness of what is “evil” and what is “good” enough? Verse 9.

11. How is the love of verse 9 manifested toward one another? Verse 10.

12. How is our love shown toward the Lord’s service? Verse 11.

13. How does hope help the Christian to be patient or steadfast? What causes neglect of prayer? Verse 12.

14. How is our love shown in the use of our means? Verse 13.

15. How is our love shown toward our enemies? Verse 14.

16. How is our love manifested generally? Verse 15.

17. Do you think the word “condescend,” as we understand it, is the right word here? Verse 16.

18. What is the relation of the two thoughts in this verse to each other? Verse 17.

19. Is it always possible to live peaceably with all men? If not, why not? Is Paul suggesting that after we have tried to live peaceably and found it impossible, we are at liberty to fight? Verse 18.

20. In what two ways is personal vengeance destructive? Verse 19.

21. In verse 19, Paul quoted Deuteronomy 32:35. How did God take vengeance on evildoers under the law?

22. Since the exhortation of this verse would prohibit the literal heaping of coals of fire, what is its figurative meaning? What are the "coals of fire"? Why are they so called? Verse 20.

23. If a Christian takes vengeance into his own hands, what is the result? Verse 21.

Thought Question:

24. What is the general emotion named in verse 9 that makes the conduct described in this chapter possible?