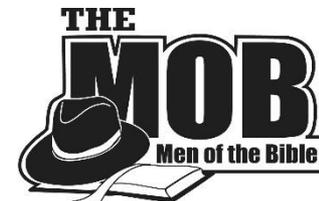


For I am not ashamed of the Gospel, for it is the power of God for salvation to everyone who believes, to the Jew first and also to the Greek. For in it the righteousness of God is revealed from faith for faith, as it is written, “The righteous shall live by faith.”

Romans 1:16-17



Announcements



- **Welcome to the MOB!** Website: www.ibcmob.net
- ***The Tomb is Empty Now!*** IBC Easter Pageant (Musical)
March 23 - 31, 2018 – See website for show times and to buy tickets (\$5.00 each)
- **No MOB meeting next Tuesday, March 27th, 2018**
- **Our next MOB meeting is Tuesday, April 3rd, 2018**
- **Have a joyful Palm Sunday this weekend, March 25th, and a wonderful Resurrection Celebration the following Sunday, April 1st. Greeting: “He is risen!”**

Response: “He is risen indeed! Alleluia!”



Memory Verse



Romans 12:9 (NASB)

Let love be without hypocrisy.

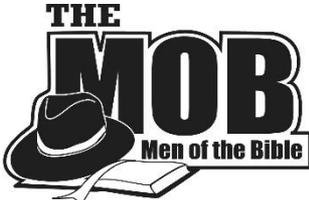
Abhor what is evil; cling to what is good.

Romans 12:9 (NASB)



Romans

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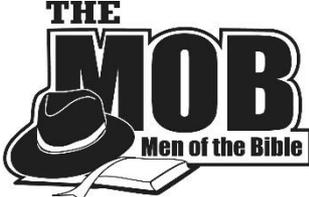
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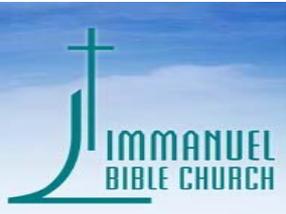


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Last Meeting



Scripture:

– [Romans 12:1-2](#)

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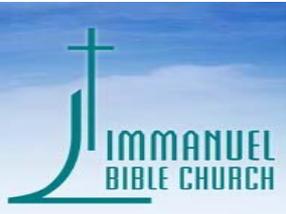
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**How? Be a *living sacrifice* to God
You have to be "All In"
Total Transformation
(done by God to you)**

* http://www.preceptaustin.org/romans_12_word_studies



This Meeting



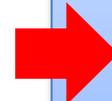
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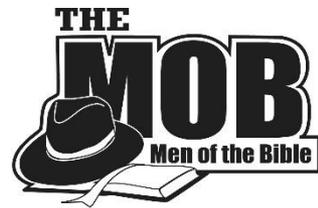
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Romans 12:1-21 (ESV)



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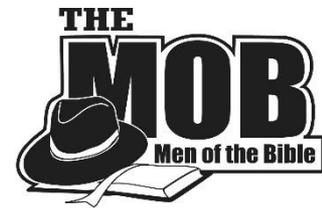
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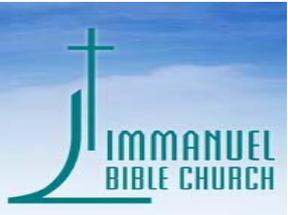
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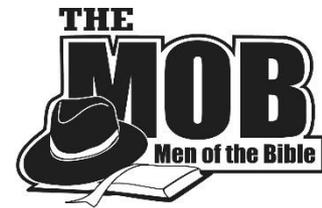
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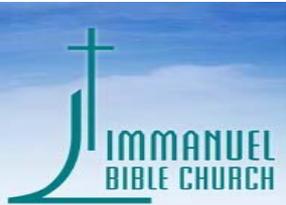


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Review: You must offer *all* of you to God as a living sacrifice *continually* in order to not be conformed to this world and be transformed by the renewing of your mind. (passive voice)
Without this, you will not be able to live out / do the rest of Romans 12 for the benefit of others and the glory of God.



Romans 12:3 (ESV)



³ For by the [grace](#) given to me I say to everyone among you

Observation: Paul invokes his God-given Apostolic authority

Interpretation: Everyone listen up! (everyone in the church in Rome)

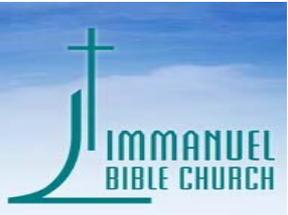
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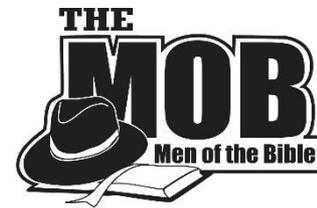
each according to the measure of **faith** that **God has assigned**.

Observation: A call to humility for all Believers (Jew & Gentile).

Interpretation: Worldly thinking is based on human achievement, leading to pride, but a mind that has been renewed by the power of God is humble. The Lord has given to each believer enough faith to think and behave in ways that are pleasing to God and edifying to others. Such thinking is not the way of the world, but the way of the Lord, and of believers with the mind of Christ ([1 Corinthians 2:14-16](#)).



Romans 12:4-5 (ESV)



⁴ For as in **one body** we have **many members**, and the members do not all have the same function, ⁵ so we, though many, are **one body in Christ**, and individually **members one of another**.

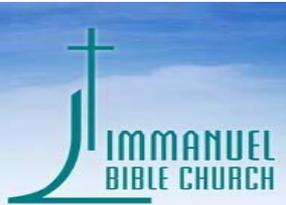
Observation: Paul uses an analogy to make an important point.

Interpretation: The church (e.g., the church in Rome) has many different members with different Spiritual Gifts just as one human body has many different members with different functions.

[1 Corinthians 12:4-31](#) Varieties of **Spiritual Gifts** from one Holy Spirit
One body with many members; human and the Body of Christ (church)

[Ephesians 4:25;5:28-30](#) We are members one of another – the church

These are all exhortations for unity in the Body of Christ – the church



Romans 12:6-8 (ESV)



⁶ Having [gifts](#) that differ according to the [grace](#) given to us, let us use them:

if [prophecy](#), in proportion to our faith; [*forthtelling* or *foretelling*]

⁷ if [service](#), in our serving; [waiting at table, service, ministrations; [Acts 6:1-6](#)]

the one who [teaches](#), in his teaching [instruct, impart knowledge]

⁸ the one who [exhorts](#), in his exhortation; [entreat, admonish, comfort]

the one who [contributes](#), in generosity; [share, impart; giving]

the one who [leads](#), with zeal; [preside, direct, maintain, practice diligently]

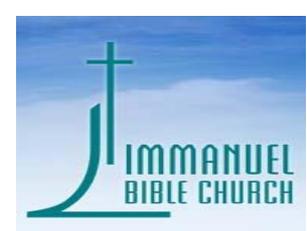
the one who does acts of [mercy](#), with cheerfulness. [pity, have mercy on]

Observation: Paul lists God-given Spiritual Gifts and guidance for their use.

Interpretation: God gives different Spiritual Gifts to different members of the Body of Christ to benefit the Body of Christ. Exercise your gift! Do it!

[1 Corinthians 12:1-12](#) word of wisdom, word of knowledge, faith, healing, miracles, prophecy, distinguishing between spirits, tongues, interpretation

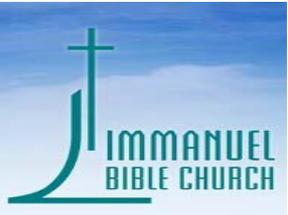
[Ephesians 4:4-13](#) apostles, prophets, evangelists, shepherds, teachers



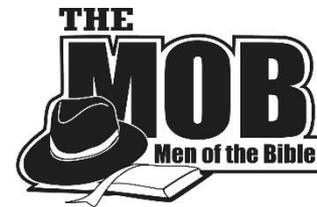
1 Corinthians 12:1-11 (ESV)



¹ Now concerning spiritual gifts, brothers, I do not want you to be uninformed. ² You know that when you were pagans you were led astray to mute idols, however you were led. ³ Therefore I want you to understand that no one speaking in the Spirit of God ever says “Jesus is accursed!” and no one can say “Jesus is Lord” except in the Holy Spirit. ⁴ Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit; ⁵ and there are varieties of service, but the same Lord; ⁶ and there are varieties of activities, but it is the same God who empowers them all in everyone. ⁷ To each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good. ⁸ For to one is given through the Spirit the utterance of wisdom, and to another the utterance of knowledge according to the same Spirit, ⁹ to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by the one Spirit, ¹⁰ to another the working of miracles, to another prophecy, to another the ability to distinguish between spirits, to another various kinds of tongues, to another the interpretation of tongues. ¹¹ All these are empowered by one and the same Spirit, who apportions to each one individually as he wills.



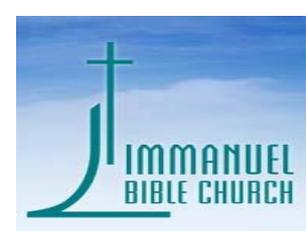
1 Corinthians 12:12-20 (ESV)



¹² For just as the body is one and has many members, and all the members of the body, though many, are one body, so it is with Christ.

¹³ For in one Spirit we were all baptized into one body—Jews or Greeks, slaves or free—and all were made to drink of one Spirit.

¹⁴ For the body does not consist of one member but of many. ¹⁵ If the foot should say, “Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body,” that would not make it any less a part of the body. ¹⁶ And if the ear should say, “Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body,” that would not make it any less a part of the body. ¹⁷ If the whole body were an eye, where would be the sense of hearing? If the whole body were an ear, where would be the sense of smell? ¹⁸ But as it is, God arranged the members in the body, each one of them, as he chose. ¹⁹ If all were a single member, where would the body be? ²⁰ As it is, there are many parts, yet one body.



1 Corinthians 12:21-31 (ESV)

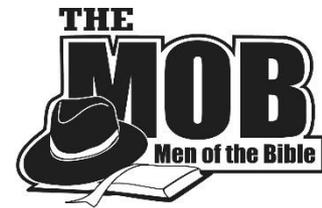


²¹ The eye cannot say to the hand, “I have no need of you,” nor again the head to the feet, “I have no need of you.” ²² On the contrary, the parts of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, ²³ and on those parts of the body that we think less honorable we bestow the greater honor, and our unpresentable parts are treated with greater modesty, ²⁴ which our more presentable parts do not require. But God has so composed the body, giving greater honor to the part that lacked it, ²⁵ that there may be no division in the body, but that the members may have the same care for one another. ²⁶ If one member suffers, all suffer together; if one member is honored, all rejoice together.

²⁷ Now you are the body of Christ and individually members of it. ²⁸ And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers, then miracles, then gifts of healing, helping, administrating, and various kinds of tongues. ²⁹ Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? ³⁰ Do all possess gifts of healing? Do all speak with tongues? Do all interpret? ³¹ But earnestly desire the higher gifts. And I will show you a still more excellent way.



1 Corinthians 13:1-13 (ESV)



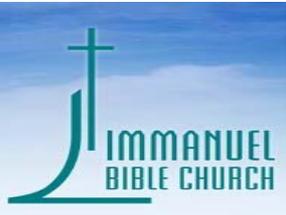
¹ If I speak in the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. ² And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but have not love, I am nothing. ³ If I give away all I have, and if I deliver up my body to be burned, but have not love, I gain nothing.

⁴ Love is patient and kind; love does not envy or boast; it is not arrogant ⁵ or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; ⁶ it does not rejoice at wrongdoing, but rejoices with the truth. ⁷ Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

⁸ Love never ends. As for prophecies, they will pass away; as for tongues, they will cease; as for knowledge, it will pass away. ⁹ For we know in part and we prophesy in part, ¹⁰ but when the perfect comes, the partial will pass away.

¹¹ When I was a child, I spoke like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became a man, I gave up childish ways. ¹² For now we see in a mirror dimly, but then face to face. Now I know in part; then I shall know fully, even as I have been fully known.

¹³ So now faith, hope, and love abide, these three; but the greatest of these is love.



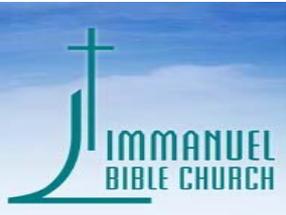
God the Holy Spirit



Immanuel Bible Church - What We Teach

We believe that the Holy Spirit is God ([Acts 5:3-4](#)). He convicts people of sin ([John 16:8-11](#)) and restrains the extent of sin in the world ([Genesis 6:3](#); [2 Thessalonians 2:7](#)). He opens the hearts and minds of people ([Romans 8:16](#); [1 Corinthians 2:12-14](#)) to turn from sin ([2 Corinthians 3:2-3](#); [Romans 8:1-14](#)), believe in the Son ([1 Thessalonians 1:2-5](#)), and be born again ([John 3:3-7](#)).

At the moment of salvation the Holy Spirit comes to live within every believer forever ([John 14:16](#); [Romans 8:9](#); [1 Corinthians 12:13](#); [Ephesians 1:13-14](#); [Ephesians 4:30](#)). He fills believers with His power ([Acts 1:8](#); [Ephesians 3:16](#)), enables them to live in obedience to the will of God ([Galatians 5:16-26](#)), teaches them ([1 Corinthians 2:13-15](#); [1 John 2:27](#)), and gives them His gifts “to each one individually just as He wills,” to serve the church ([1 Corinthians 12:7-11](#); [Romans 12:4-8](#); [1 Peter 4:10](#); [Ephesians 4:11](#)).



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The Holy Spirit provides gifts to believers to serve the body of Christ and to reach the world with the gospel ([1 Corinthians 12:4-7](#); [1 Peter 4:10](#)). Spiritual gifts should be used in a proper and orderly manner ([1 Corinthians 14:40](#)), in love ([1 Corinthians 14:1](#)), and without causing division ([1 Corinthians 12:25](#)). Spiritual gifts are not an indication of spiritual maturity and they should not be used for self-promotion ([1 Corinthians 12:11-12](#)).

We believe that sign gifts (apostle, prophet, healing, miracles, and tongues) authenticated the ministry and message of the apostles ([Ephesians 2:20](#); [Hebrews 2:1-4](#); [2 Corinthians 12:12](#)) and served in the establishment of the church ([Acts 2:41-47](#); [Acts 9:31-42](#)).

We believe that God continues to demonstrate His miraculous power and ability to heal; but the sign gifts, as given to the early church, are not in effect today.



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Observation: Paul now provides a list of Christian characteristics.

Interpretation: If you are continually offering yourself as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God, then you will be transformed by the renewing of your mind **and your life and lifestyle will look like Christ’s – very different from the world.**



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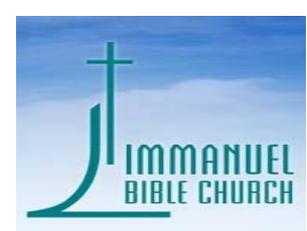
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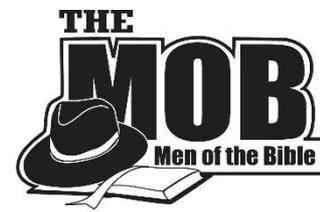
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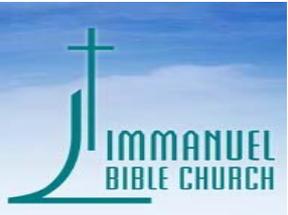
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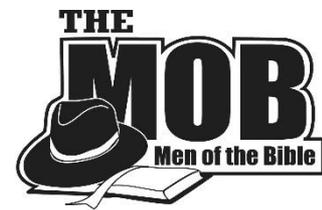
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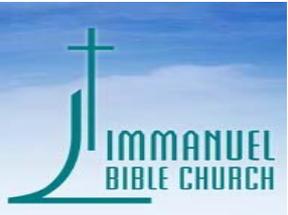
- **What was your life like prior to accepting Jesus as your Lord?**
- **How are you doing now?**
- **Where do you think God wants you to improve in the near future?**



Discussion & Application



1. What might lead you to think too highly of yourself? (v.3)
2. What is your ministry and where does it fit in the Body? (v.4)
3. How could your church be more united; all working together? (v.5)
4. Which Spiritual Gift(s) do you think God has given you? (vv.6-8)
5. How can you hate what is evil and cling to what is good? (v.9)
6. How can you show greater love and honor to others? (vv.10,13)
7. How can you serve the Lord more fervently in your job? (v.11)
8. How could you improve your prayer life? (v.12)
9. How do you respond when someone treats you badly? (vv.14,17,19)
10. How empathetic and humble are you? (vv.15-16)
11. What do you do when you can't make peace with someone? (v.18)
12. What act of kindness can you show to an undeserving person? (v.20)



Next Meeting



April 3, 2018

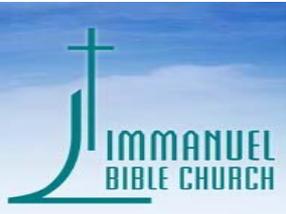
Citizens of the World & Citizens of Heaven: Authorities

Review:

- [Romans 12](#)

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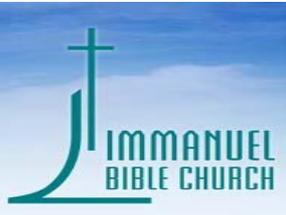
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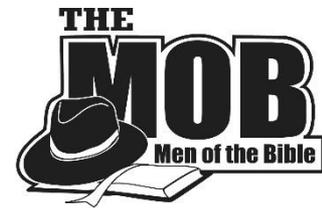
Closing



- Questions?
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- Closing Prayer



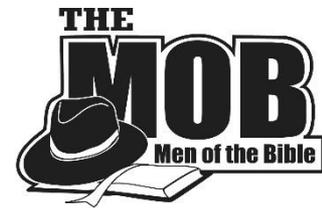
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Aspects of Observation



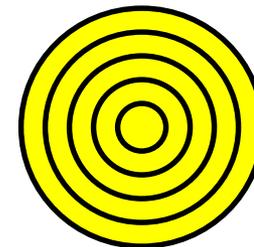
- Who? What? When? Where? Why? How?
- Emphasized, Repeated, Related, Comparison
- Tone: Emotions, Mood, Commands
- Genre: History, Doctrine, Poetry, Prophecy
- Use of Old Testament passages in the New Testament

What question is this passage answering?

Aspects of Interpretation

- **Intra-biblical**

- Context / circles of meaning
 - Passage, chapter, book, testament, Bible
- Consistency of theology / doctrines
- Study Bible cross-references in the margins
- Reading from different reliable translations



- **Extra-biblical**

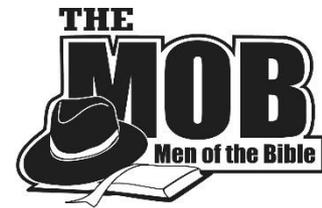
- Commentaries
 - Culture / historical background
 - Theological unpacking and support
- Greek / Hebrew word studies



Summarize the answer to the question



Aspects of Application



P.R.A.C.T.I.C.E. (30x5)

- What promise should I claim?
- What relationship should I work on?
- What attitude should I adjust?
- What condition should I meet?
- What trespass (sin) should I confess?
- What imperative (command) should I do?
- What challenge should I face?
- What example should I follow?

S.P.E.C.S. (FoF)

- What sin to forsake?
- What promise to claim?
- What example to follow?
- What command to obey?
- What stumbling block to avoid?

What's the "Big Idea" for application?