

Choosing God's Way Every Day

1. From the Old Nature to the New Creation

2. From Hindrances to Running with Freedom

3. From Fear of People to Fearless Obedience

4. From Worldliness to Godliness

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Romans 12

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Jesus is Life Changing Good News



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Psalm 103.15 Our days on earth are like grass; like wildflowers, we bloom and pass away.

17 But the love of the Lord remains forever with those who fear him.

John 14. 1 'Do not let your hearts be troubled.
You believe in God; believe also in me.
2 My Father's house has many rooms; ...
3 And if I go and prepare a place for you,
I will come back and take you to be with me
that you also may be where I am.

Romans 13 (NLT)

11 This is all the more urgent, for you know how late it is; time is running out. Wake up, for our salvation is nearer now than when we first believed. 12 The night is almost gone; the day of salvation will soon be here. So remove your dark deeds like dirty clothes, and put on the shining armour of right living. 13 Because we belong to the day, we must live decent lives for all to see. Don't participate in shadowy living and drunkenness, or in sexual promiscuity and immoral living, or in quarrelling and jealousy. 14 Instead, clothe yourself with the presence of the Lord Jesus Christ.

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Romans 12

- 2 Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God's will is
 - his good, pleasing and perfect will.

A New Way of Thinking about Ourselves - as part of the Church Body

Romans 12. 3-13

One Body – Christ's Body - Many Members
Each One Belonging to Christ – and Each Other
Christ-given diversity of gifts and callings
Called to exercise our gifts wholeheartedly
To Serve God and His Kingdom

A New Way of Behaving in the Church What's God Will? Love One Another

Romans 12. 3-13

Love – Sincerely, Discerningly & Tenaciously
Devoted to one another in love
Honour one another above yourselves

A New Way of Behaving in the Church What Pleases God? Offer Your Bodies as a Living Sacrifice

Romans 12. 3-13 Serving the Lord & Serving His People With Zeal and Spiritual Fervour Joyful in Hope Patient in Affliction Faithful in Prayer Sharing with the Lord's People in Need **Practice Hospitality**

A New Way of Thinking for Relationships What's God's Will?

Romans 12

16 Do not be proud, but be willing to associate with people of low position.

Do not be conceited.

A New Way of Behaving in Relationships What Pleases God?

Romans 13

8 Let no debt remain outstanding, except the continuing debt to love one another, for whoever loves others has fulfilled the law.

9 The commandments, 'You shall not commit adultery,' 'You shall not murder,' 'You shall not steal,' 'You shall not covet,' and whatever other command there may be, are summed up in this one command: 'Love your neighbour as yourself.' 10 Love does no harm to a neighbour.

A New Way of Thinking about Tricky Relationships – What's God's Will?

Romans 12. 17 Do not repay anyone evil for evil. 19 Do not take revenge, my dear friends, but leave room for God's wrath, for it is written: 'It is mine to avenge; I will repay,' says the Lord. 20 On the contrary: 'If your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him something to drink. In doing this, you will heap burning coals on his head.' 21 Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

We all Need Reminding

Romans 15 (NLT)

14 I am fully convinced, my dear brothers and sisters, that you are full of goodness.You know these things so well you can teach each other all about them.

15 Even so, I have been bold enough to write about some of these points, knowing that all you need is this reminder.