

# We Believe the Bible to be God's Truth!

## The Bible is Inspired / II Timothy 3:16

“All Scripture is inspired by God and therefore profitable.”

## The Bible is Inerrant / II Peter 1:20-21

“But know this first of all, that no prophecy of Scripture is a matter of one's own interpretation, for no prophecy was ever made by an act of human will, but men moved by the Holy Spirit spoke from God.”

## The Bible is Infallible / Matthew 5:18

“For truly I say to you, until heaven and earth pass away, not the smallest letter or stroke shall pass from the Law until all is accomplished.”

# The Epistle to the Romans!

*The Text:*

**Romans 12:17-21!**

*The Title:*

**Seeking God's Will for Our Lives!**

The Same Yesterday, Today, and Tomorrow

*The Theme: Romans 1:16-17!*

**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 to faith; as it is written,**

# The Righteousness of God

A. (Chaps.1-3) **Sin**: The Need for Righteousness.

B. (Chaps.4-5) **Salvation**: The Means of Righteousness.

C. (Chaps.6-8) **Sanctification**: The Result of Righteousness.

D. (Chaps. 9-11) **Sovereignty**: The Disbelief of Righteousness.

E. (Chaps. 12-16) **Service**: The Fruit of Righteousness.

# *Final Section of Romans: Christian Service!*

*(Chapters 12-16 / How Our Faith is to be Seen)*

## I. (12:1-15:13) The Believer's Call: **Closing Advise!**

- A. (12:1-2) The believer's call before **God**.
- B. (12:3-9a) The believer's call before the **Church**.
- C. (12:9b-21) The believer's call before **Society**.
- D. (13:1-14) The believer's call before **Government**.
- E. (14:1-15:13) The believer's call before other **Believers**.

## II. (15:14-16:27) The Apostle's Benediction: **Closing Admonitions!**

- A. (15:14-33) Paul's **Plans** for the future.
- B. (16:1-16) Paul's **Personal** greetings.
- C. (16:17-27) Paul's **Practical** advise.

*Today's Sermon Outline:  
Seeking God's Will / Sharing God's Gospel!*

I. (12:1-15:13) The Believer's Call: **Closing Advise!**

A. (12:1-2) The believer's calling before **GOD**.

B. (12:3-9) The believer's calling before the **CHURCH**.

C. (12:9-21) The believer's calling before **SOCIETY**.

1.(vs.9-16) **Our calling before the saints.**

a. (v.9) Our calling is a call to **passion**.  
(Three Principles / Imperatives)

b. (vs.10-16) Our calling is to be **practiced**.  
(Twelve Proofs of Our Passion)

2. (vs.17-21) **Our calling before the unsaved.**

## *How God's Will is to be Seen!*

b. (12:10-16) Our Calling is to be **PRACTICED!** (seen by the unsaved world)

1. (v.10a) Be devoted to each other in brotherly love.  
(Let God's love be seen in your love for the saints)

2. (v.10b) Give preference to one another showing honor.  
(Yield the right of way / Golden rule)

3. (v.11a) Be diligent to not lag behind in your love.  
(Don't procrastinate / Don't wait for others to do it)

4. (v.11b) Be fervent in your serving the Lord.  
(To be energetic / Let your love boil over)

5. (v.12a) Be found rejoicing in hope.  
(Looking for the potential / best outcome)

6. (v.12b) Be found persevering in tribulation.  
(Refuse to grow weary in battle)

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b. (12:10-16) Our Calling is to be **PRACTICED!** (seen by the unsaved world)

7. (v.12c) Be devoted to prayer.  
(Talk to God in behave of others)

8. (v.13a) Seek to meet the needs of others.  
(Be God's instrument of goodness & grace)

9. (v.13b) Be found practicing hospitality.  
(To open the home / To show love to strangers)

10. (v.14) Let your actions prove your love.  
(Bless those who persecute you / don't curse)

11. (v.15) Let your love for God be seen.  
(Rejoice & weep when appropriate)

12. (v.16) Be one who seek unity.  
(List ends as it began in v.3)

*Next Week's Sermon Outline:  
Seeking God's Will / Sharing God's Gospel!*

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A. (12:1-2) The believer's calling before **GOD**.

B. (12:3-9) The believer's calling before the **CHURCH**.

C. (12:9-21) The believer's calling before **SOCIETY**.

1.(vs.9-16) **Our calling before the SAINTS**.

2. (vs.17-21) **Our calling before the UNSAVED**.

a. (vs.17-18) Our call is a call to **purity**.

1.) (v.17a) The **command**.

2.) 9vs.17b-18) The **commentary**.

b. (vs.19-20) Our call is a call to **patience**.

1.) (v.19a) The **command**.

2.) (vs.19b-20) The **commentary**.

c. (v.21) Our call is a call to **persevere**.