

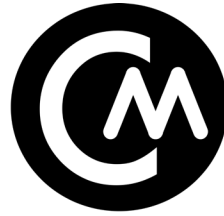
CHILDREN'S ministry

Sunday, March 31, 2019
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DISCUSSION QUESTIONS FOR ROMANS 12:17-21

¹⁷Repay no one evil for evil, but give thought to do what is honorable in the sight of all. ¹⁸If possible, so far as it depends on you, live peaceably with all. ¹⁹Beloved, never avenge yourselves, but leave it^o to the wrath of God, for it is written, "Vengeance is mine, I will repay, says the Lord." ²⁰To the contrary, "if your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him something to drink; for by so doing you will heap burning coals on his head." ²¹Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

1. In what way, if any, did the Spirit speak to you directly through Romans 12:17-21 or one of the supporting verses? Did He encourage you in some way or convict you in some way? If so, how?
2. What is the Gospel?
3. In what ways does the gospel of Christ transform the way we view and treat the people who wound us the most? Why should we not treat them as they deserve to be treated?
4. When was a time in your life where you were either tempted to repay evil with evil or you did repay evil with evil? What was the result?
5. As Christians, why should we not be surprised if not everyone is welcoming and supportive of us as talking about Jesus?
6. In what ways do you "give thought" to do what is honorable in the sight of all? Why is "giving thought" such an important part of a proper response?
7. What are some ways we can respond to evil in an honorable manner?
8. What does living peaceably with those around you actually look like for a Christian?
9. Why are we not going to be able to live peaceably with everyone?
10. How often do you consider God's wrath? Why should we consider it more than we probably do?
11. What is vengeance?
12. Why can we leave vengeance for God to accomplish? Why do we often fail to do this?
13. What does overcoming evil with good look like on a daily basis?
14. As we come to the conclusion of our study of Romans 12, how can we move forward in our next study of Scripture without forgetting, or putting behind, what God has shown us in Romans 12?



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15. As we've seen in Romans 12, the gospel changes how we relate to God (12:1-2), how we relate to other believers (12:3-13), and how we relate to the world (12:14-21). Which way is easiest for you to relate? Which way do you need to try harder with? In light of Romans 12:17-21, what is one specific action you need to take this week in the Spirit's power?