#### I. We are Thinking Rightly About God: (Rom 12:1-2)

## A. Live Submitted Live to God: (Vs 1)

Paul Pleads: "I beseech you therefore, brethren"

<u>In Light of God's Mercies</u>: "by the mercies of God"

<u>Full Commitment</u>: "that ye present your bodies a living sacrifice"

Qualifications of the Sacrifice:

Living, Holy, Acceptable unto God

# It Is not Unreasonable for God to ask this of us:

"which is your reasonable service."

#### B. Are Renewed in our Mind: (Vs 2)

Paul States the Purpose for the renewing of our minds:

"And be not conformed to this world:" Outward Identity "but be ye transformed" Inward Transformation

## Paul states the Results of renewing of our minds: "that ye may"

"prove" = know by testing

"what is that good,": Useful/Beneficial

"and acceptable,": Pleasing

"and perfect," Meeting the Highest Standards possible

"will of God.": Manifested to all

Accepted by all

Accepted b/c of the Evidences displayed by us.

#### **II. Thinking Rightly About Ourselves:** (Rom 12:3-8)

### III. Think Rightly about Our Life: (Rom 12:9-13)

**A.** Love Sincerely: (Vs 9a)

Dissimulation means Insincerity or Hypocrisy.

## **B.** Hate Sin and Love God: (Vs 9b)

It is not enough to hate the consequences of sin., We are to Hate sin Itself.

## C. Be Kind to Others with Brotherly Love: (Vs 10a)

The Church is not a place just to get together with friends.

The church is family that gets together to encourage each other to walk more closely with God & Adore Him.

## **D. Prefer One Another:** (Vs 10b)

This should be a key feature for every follower of Christ.

E. Not Slothful In Business: (Vs 11a)

**F.** Fervent in spirit: (Vs 11b) At a Rolling Boil, not lukewarm.

**G.** Rejoice in Hope: (Vs 12a)

H. Be Patient in Tribulation: (Vs 12b)

I. Always Praying: (Vs 12c)

J. Sharing What You Have with Other Believers: (Vs 13a)

K. Be Quick to Show Hospitality: (Vs 13b)

#### IV. Thinking Rightly About Adversity: (Rom 12:14-21)

#### A. Respond Rightly to Antagonism: (Vs 14) (Jn 15:18-24)

Bless, Ask Special Favors for them from God

Curse Not

Empathize with Others (vs 15)

Be of the Same Mind one Toward Another (Vs 16a)

Do Not Be Proud: "Mind not high things"

"Condescend to men of low estate."

Have low opinion of Your Opinion.

"Be not wise in your own conceits."

# **B. Do Not Repay Evil for Evil:** (Vs 17a)

Be Honest (Vs 17b)

Live Peaceably with all Men as much as you can. (Vs 18)

# C. <u>Do Not Seek Revenge</u>, <u>But Give Place to Wrath</u>: (Vs 19)

# D. Overcome Evil with Good: (Vs 20-21)

(Vs 20c) "for in so doing thou shalt heap coals of fire on his head."

(Vs 21) "Be not overcome of evil, but overcome evil with good."