

**“Four MUSTS in the Christian Life”
(Romans 12)**

Romans 12 is one of the most straightforward and practical chapters in the entire Bible. It plainly describes what God wants to see in our lives. A close review of this chapter reveals four vital characteristics that we **MUST** have to be pleasing to the Lord.

BE SURRENDERED (1-2)

- Your Presentation (1)
- Your Transformation (2)

BE SERVING (3-8)

- Your Mind-Set (3)
- Your Membership (4-5)
- Your Ministry (6-8)

BE SENSITIVE (9-16)

- Your Brotherly Love (9-10)
- Your Faithful Commitment (11-12)
- Your Active Compassion (13-16)

BE STEADFAST (17-21)

- Your Purpose (17)
- Your Patience (18-19)
- Your Plan (20-21)

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Reflection and Application

Romans 12 is such a key passage for the Christian life! It would be beneficial to take some time each day this week to read and reflect upon each section.

Monday

Read Romans 12 and then write out Romans 12:1-2 on an index card. Review the card it throughout the day.

Have you made this sacrifice to God? Are you renewing your mind in His Word? Use Romans 12 this week to renew the mind.

Tuesday

Read Romans 12 and then write out Romans 12:3-8 on index cards. Review the cards throughout the day.

In what ways are you serving your church family? What are some areas of service in the church that need workers? How can you help with any of these needs?

Wednesday

Read Romans 12 and then write out Romans 12:9-16 on index cards. Review the cards throughout the day.

Why is it so difficult to put the needs and concerns of others above our own? Do something loving and kind for someone in our church family today, especially one who may be overlooked or forgotten.

Thursday

Read Romans 12 and then write out Romans 12:17-21 on index cards. Review the cards throughout the day.

Identify someone in your life with whom you have conflict. You can only love them properly by God's grace so ask Him for help. Do something kind for this person today.

Friday and Saturday

Review the full set of your index cards several times each day.

Share with someone how the time you spent in Romans 12 has been beneficial to you.