

**Scripture Memory Verse**

*“For the kingdom of God is not a matter of eating and drinking, but of righteousness, peace and joy in the Holy Spirit.” – Romans 14:17*

**FIRST DAY: Read the notes and the references.**

1. What was meaningful to you in the lecture?
2. What help did you receive from the notes?

**SECOND DAY: Read Romans 15:1-6.**

3. Share some of the privileges and some of the responsibilities of Christians.
4. How does pleasing our neighbors to build them up differ from “people-pleasing”?
5. Share an example from Scripture of Jesus Christ not living to please Himself. How is that relevant to you?
6. How would you describe people who live to please themselves? What similarities and differences do you share with that description?

**THIRD DAY: Read Romans 15:4-6.**

7. What are several benefits that come from studying Scripture? How have you realized these benefits through your study of Romans?
8. How does a “spirit of unity” differ from uniformity or agreement on all matters? With what groups or individual believers do you struggle to uphold unity?

9. How does Christian unity glorify God? (See 1 Corinthians 12:12-27; Ephesians 4:1-16; Colossians 1:15-20.)

**FOURTH DAY: Read Romans 15:7-13.**

10. Why is it important for believers to accept other believers? How does Christ's acceptance of you help you in accepting others?

11. Which Old Testament verses are quoted in Romans 15:9-12? What is the subject of these quotations?

12. a. What is the significance of Paul using Old Testament references to illustrate unity between the Jews and Gentiles in Christ?

- b. How does this understanding help you re-evaluate fellow believers with whom you struggle to be unified?

**FIFTH DAY: Read Romans 15:13.**

13. What is the relationship between trust and hope? (See also 1 Timothy 1:1; Hebrews 6:18-19; Hebrews 11:1 or any other verses for help.)

14. What does the relationship between trust and hope teach you about God? How does this comfort or challenge you?

15. For whom will you pray the blessings of Romans 15:13?

**SIXTH DAY: Read Romans 15:1-13.**

16. What have you learned about God in this week's study? How may your group pray for you as you make this truth a part of your life?

17. Homiletics for discussion and administrative leaders: Romans 15:1-13

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