

Sermon Date: Sunday, 10 October 2021 **Sermon Series:** The Book of Romans **Sermon Title:** Part 2 - Serving and Forgiving



Speaker: Pastor Walker Schurz **Key Scripture**: Romans 12:3-21 NKJV

Greetings!

Thank you for joining this week's Connection Group meeting. MLFC Connection Groups offer an opportunity to grow in your walk with the Lord as you develop a meaningful transformational relationship with other Bible-believing Christians. We are encouraged in **Hebrews 10:24-25 NKJV**, "And let us take thought of how to spur one another on to love and good works, not abandoning our meetings, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging each other."

This week, we continued to study the book of Romans with Pastor Walker. He illustrated what it means to live a transformed life. We transform by living a life of serving others and forgiveness. We should not be intoxicated with pride that prevents the word of God from renewing our minds. There is grace that was given to each one of us to serve for the benefit of the body of Christ. We should not withhold our gifts but be a blessing and give to the needs of the saints. Furthermore, regardless of the circumstances that may have changed our relations with others, we should not harbor unforgiveness and seek vengeance in our hearts towards those who hurt us. We should have compassion for the people in our lives.

In today's discussion, share with the group how you will let the Holy Spirit and the Word of God renew your mind so that you can forgive and not seek vengeance for those who hurt you.

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THIS WEEK'S STUDY: ROMANS 12 PART 2 - SERVING AND FORGIVING

A. Getting to Know Each Other

Are you an introvert or an extrovert?

Digging Deeper and Application

KEY TEXT: Romans 12:3-21 NKJV, Ephesians 4:25 NKJV

- 1. Read Romans 12:3-8 NKJV, 1 Peter 4:10 NJKV. How are you currently stewarding the gifts God gave you to serve others at MLFC? How are you encouraging others to serve?
- 2. Read Romans 12:9-13 NKJV, Hebrews 12:14-15 NLT. Which godly principles are you currently applying in your life to live at peace with people in your life?
- 3. Read Romans 12:14-16 NKJV. How do you feel when those who have hurt you suffer or prosper? How does living "in the light of God's mercy" change your perspective towards them?

B. Take Away: Christian Life Application

- 1. Forgive and pray for those who hurt you in the past, present as well as in future because God had mercy on you and you should do the same towards others.
- 2. Let the word of God renew your mind to overcome evil and have compassion for others.
- **3.** You need to operate on a completely different level than the world. When you are treated wrongfully, let God deal with it and continue on the path of grace. That is one of the hardest things you will ever do as a believer but it also sets you apart.

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