



Unashamed: Transformed to Love Others

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Romans Road

Romans 3:10 – There is no one righteous, not even one.

Romans 3:23 – For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God.

Romans 5:8 – But God demonstrated His own love for us in this: While we were still sinners Christ died for us.

Romans 6:23 – For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Romans 8:1 – Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.

Romans 10:9 – That if you confess with your mouth, “Jesus is Lord,” and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved.

Romans 10:13 – Everyone who calls upon the name of the Lord will be saved.

Romans 12:9-21

Love must be sincere. Hate what is evil; cling to what is good. Be devoted to one another in love. Honor one another above yourselves. Never be lacking in zeal, but keep your spiritual fervor, serving the Lord. Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer. Share with the Lord’s people who are in need. Practice hospitality. Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse. Rejoice with those who rejoice; mourn with those who mourn. Live in harmony with one another. Do not be proud but be willing to associate with people of low position. Do not be conceited. Do not repay anyone evil for evil. Be careful to do what is right in the eyes of everyone. If it is possible, as far as it depends on you, live at peace with everyone. Do not take revenge, my dear friends, but leave room for God’s wrath, for it is written: “It is mine to avenge; I will repay,” says the Lord. On the contrary: “If your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him something to drink. In doing this, you will heap burning coals on his head.” Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

Love is the Key

Love must be **sincere** – *anypokritos*: without hypocrisy, no play acting

Love Those Who are Easy to Love

- Be devoted – surge or familial love; we are family.
- Honor – consider others a priority above yourself.
- Share your resources – Make sure all in the family have their needs met.
- Be hospitable - Welcome people into your home and serve them as guests.

Love Those Who are Hard to Love

- Bless those who persecute you.
- If someone is hurting, mourn with them.
- If someone is rejoicing, rejoice with them.
- Don’t seek revenge.
- Do what is right and live in peace, as long as it depends on you.
- Don’t be full of yourself and only associate with the upper class.
- If your enemy is hungry or thirsty, take care of him.
- Overcome evil with good.

Never be lacking in zeal, but keep your spiritual fervor, serving the Lord. Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer.

“I am not ashamed of the gospel because it is the power of God for salvation of everyone who believes.”

Romans 1:16