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Romans 12

How to Get into the Will of God and Stay There

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24 WAYS TO GET INTO THE WILL OF GOD AND STAY THERE:

1. Offer your body as a living sacrifice to God. Romans 12:1
2. Be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Romans 12:2
3. Don't think of yourself more highly than you ought to. Romans 12:3
4. Use the gifts God has given you. Romans 12:6-8
5. Love people with a sincere heart. Romans 12:9
6. Hate what is evil. Romans 12:9
7. Hold fast to what is good. Romans 12:9
8. Be devoted to one another in love. Romans 12:10
9. Honor and prefer others above yourselves. Romans 12:10
10. Maintain your zeal in serving the Lord. Romans 12:11
11. Rejoice in the hope He has given you. Romans 12:12
12. Be patient and steadfast in tribulation. Romans 12:12
13. Be faithful in prayer. Romans 12:12
14. Have a giving attitude. Romans 12:13
15. Practice hospitality. Romans 12:13
16. Bless and pray for those who persecute you. Romans 12:14
17. Share in each other people's victories and distresses. Romans 12:15
18. Live in harmony with one another. Romans 12:16
19. Avoid being proud and conceited. Romans 12:16
20. Do not return evil for evil. Romans 12:17
21. Live a life of integrity. Romans 12:17
22. Live at peace with everyone. Romans 12:18
23. Do good to your enemies. Romans 12:20
24. Overcome evil with good. Romans 12:21

OFFER YOUR BODY AS A LIVING SACRIFICE TO GOD.

- In view of what God has done for us, we owe our lives to Him.
- God wants us to dedicate our lives to Him as a spiritual act of worship to serve Him, obey Him, and do what He has called each of us to do.
- Give God 100%.



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BE TRANSFORMED BY THE RENEWING OF YOUR MIND.

- To be transformed means to be changed.
- Even though our hearts are changed, we need to change the way we think.
- The way you renew your mind is to read the Bible daily and get it into your spirit by meditating on it. Listen to the preaching and teaching of the Word.
- The Word of God will help you sift our wrong thinking that you have so that you can know God's good, pleasing, and perfect will for your life.

DON'T THINK TOO HIGHLY OF YOURSELF. AVOID BEING PROUD AND CONCEITED.

- God's will is that we stay humble in our heart and attitude and maintain a teachable spirit.
- If we give God the credit for the success in our lives, we won't think more highly of ourselves than we ought to.

USE THE GIFTS GOD HAS GIVEN YOU AND GIVE YOURSELF FULLY TO THEM.

- We have different gifts because they are all needed to build up the Body of Christ and to bless others.
- There are certain things you do with ease – those are God-given abilities.
- When you use your gifts, you develop them and God will use you more and more.

LOVE PEOPLE WITH A SINCERE HEART. BE DEVOTED TO ONE ANOTHER IN LOVE. HONOR AND PREFER OTHERS ABOVE YOURSELVES.

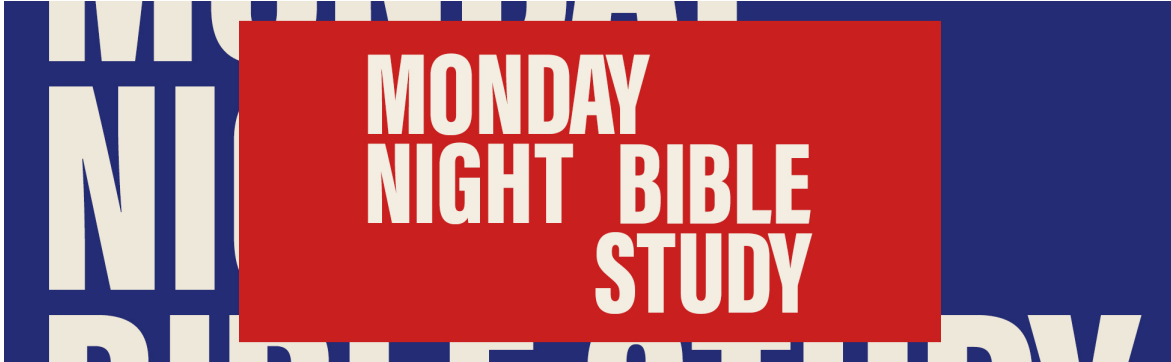
- Our love for one another must be genuine and without hypocrisy.
- Sincere love doesn't just say, I love you, it SHOWS love.
- Love is seen or not seen in the way you treat people.

HATE WHAT IS EVIL AND CLING TO WHAT IS GOOD.

- We are to love God what God loves and hate what God hates.
- We need to hold on to the goodness of God and His Word.

MAINTAIN YOUR ZEAL IN SERVING THE LORD.

- We need to stay on fire for the Lord—to maintain our first love, our zeal, and our passion in serving God.
- If you start lagging in zeal, remind yourself where you came from.
- Remember how Jesus called you out of darkness into His marvelous light.



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BE JOYFUL IN HOPE, BE PATIENT IN TRIALS, AND KEEP ON PRAYING.

- There is something about hope that brings life and faith and joy to your heart.
- Remember that reality is not finality! Let God have the final say about your situation!
- Wait on God to act. Stand steadfast on His Word and continue to pray!

BE GENEROUS AND HOSPITABLE.

- If you are going to help others—do it without grumbling and complaining.
- Enjoy it and thank God that you are so blessed that you are able to be a blessing to others!

BLESS AND PRAY FOR THOSE WHO PERSECUTE YOU. DO NOT RETURN EVIL FOR EVIL. DO GOOD TO YOUR ENEMIES. OVERCOME EVIL WITH GOOD.

- We belong to the Kingdom of God and we live according to God's Word.
- You don't have to get revenge because God will vindicate you and reward you.

SHARE IN EACH OTHER'S VICTORIES AND DISTRESSES.

- When other people are blessed and happy and promoted, we should rejoice with them.
- When others are hurting and grieving, we should be empathetic and understanding.

LIVE IN HARMONY WITH ONE ANOTHER.

- That doesn't mean we all agree on everything, but it does mean that we should never look down on anyone.
- We have to be flexible with each other and remember we are all different.
- Just because someone has a different opinion than you does not de-value their worth.
- Unity is a sign and witness to the world of what Jesus can do when we value and treat people right.

LIVE AT PEACE WITH EVERYONE.

- There are times when people refuse to live at peace with us, but it should never be because we have not done our best to make things right and live at peace with them.

LIVE A LIFE OF INTEGRITY.

- You can walk in integrity if you listen to and follow the Holy Spirit.
- People should be able to see God in you.

When you do the things that God has commanded you to do in His Word, He will begin to give you wisdom and direction about His will and purpose for your personal life.