

# Romans

## Leader Guide | Week 13

**NOTE TO LEADERS:** For the remainder of this sermon series we will provide 2 options for conducting your Life Group. Choose the one you believe will benefit the individuals in your group the most. Let's focus closely on the Word of God and see what the Holy Spirit does in our lives.

### Key Things You Heard

- If following Jesus isn't changing you, you might not be following Jesus.
- Organizational authority is one of God's gifts.
- Our job is to point people to Jesus
- Love means that we are seeking what is good for others.
- Jesus' hope was that His people would be known for their love.

### Romans Companion Devotional

- Which day's devotional had the most significant impact on you, and why?
- Pick one thing from the Things to Do section and share your experience.
- Have you shared the gospel with anyone this week? Why or why not?

### Questions for Conversation

**NOTE:** You will need one index card and a pen or pencil for each participant in your group.

- Have everyone share something that they are thankful for this week.
- Continue your group by having each person share one thing they struggled with this week. After each person shares, have someone in the group pray for them.

#### Option 1

- Read the following passages of scripture. Romans 13:1-5; Acts 5:27-29; Romans 13:6-7; Romans 13:8-10; Romans 13:11-14.
- As a group, pick one or two of these scriptures to discuss and then answer the following questions:
  1. What did you like about this passage?
  2. What did you find challenging or hard to understand in this passage?

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- Read the passage of scripture you are discussing again. Then answer these questions:
  1. What did you learn about people?
  2. What did you learn about God?

### Option 2

- Read Romans 13 together. Then focus on Romans 13:8-14.
- As a group, answer the following questions.
- What is the author's intended meaning? (AIM)
- What is the context to this portion of scripture? (Context is king.)
- 5 Questions to ask and answer:
  3. What is the important idea of the chapter?
  4. What is the verse I would most like to memorize?
  5. What is the most challenging idea?
  6. What is the application to my life? (In a sentence.)
  7. Are there any promises of God to me?
- Pass out one index card and a pen or pencil to each participant. Instruct them to pray this prayer. "God, how can I obey and apply what I have learned in my time in the Word today?" Have them write down what God is asking them to do. Then, challenge everyone to do what needs to be done. Next week, everyone will share what they learned about themselves and God through obeying Him.

### Romans Challenge

This week, read Chapter 13 of Romans daily for five days.