

# WORD OF GRACE

Part 22: God's Mercy | Text: Romans 12

## Romans 12:1,2

**We have had eleven chapters of finding what the Lord has done for us on the inside. Now we are going to find out what the Lord wants us to show on the outside.**

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**Urge:** Beseech: to call aside, an appeal in view of facts

**Mercies:** Tender compassion. Colossians 3:12

**Offer your body:** Present, to stand beside. Hebrews 13:15, 16; Romans 6:16

**Spiritual act of worship:** Reasonable service, a logical action considering the facts, that which I am hired to do

**Conformed:** Conforming oneself to the outer fashions, outward appearance and model. 1 Peter 1:14

**Transformed:** Metamorphoo: A spiritual change on th inside that reflects on the outside. Matthew 17:1, 2; 2 Corinthians 10:5 (NKJ)

**Renew:** Renovated. Joshua 1:8; 1 Corinthians 2:16; 2 Corinthians 10:5 (NKJ)

**Prove:** Test, approve, allow and acceptable

## Romans 12:3-8 - Gifts: Charisma

**God has formed His body on earth with many different parts which are all important.**

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**Prophecy:** Forthtelling the Word

**Serving:** Ministry, a deacon. Acts 6:3-7

**Teaching:** Explaining truth. Acts 13:1

**Exhortation:** Encouragement, call to aid and build up. Hebrews 10:25

**Giver:** Imparting of somehting of value, love to give in secret. 2 Cor 9:7

**Leadership:** Facilitator, ruler, superintendent. 1 Timothy 3:4

**Mercy:** Be compassionate, charity worker, sympathetic

## Romans 12:9-16

**Paul shows what our actions should look like to the people in our nation of influence.**

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**Love:** Completely sincere, warm and friendly

**Hate evil:** Shocked at sin

**Affectionate:** Family love

**Honor:** Humility, not after prestige

**Not sluggish:** Work, not lazy

**Zeal:** Fire in our bones

**Serve:** Grasp your opportunity

**Joyful in hope:** Best is yet to come, no hopeless situations

**Tribulations:** Meet problems with an attitude of victory

**Prayer:** Communicate with the Lord constantly and in every situation

**Share:** Always ready to give to God's people

**Hospitality:** Make a habit of being friendly as you receive guests or strangers

## Romans 12:17-21

**What do I do when I face persecution and pressure on my character?**

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**David:** Psalm 35:12-14

**Paul:** Romans 9:3

**Stephen:** Acts 7:60

## D12 Group Discussion Questions

1. Look through the two lists and talk about how the different character issues are happening in your lives.
2. Read Romans 12:17-21 and discuss how to properly handle persecution and wrong doings on the part of people toward you.

## Prayer Focus

Let's agree together that the Lord will anoint our CityKidz outreach and people will accept Christ as their Lord and Savior.