

4. _____ together (12:14, 20, 13:8-10)



Go Together
Romans 12 & 13
Sunday, October 3, 2021

We turn one last time to Romans 12 to consider what our life together looks like in relation to the broader and unbelieving world. Once more, God's Word is relevant and so practical. How does God call us to live together as God's people in relation to the world?

1. _____ together (12:1-2)

NEXT STEPS to apply and practice God's Word . . .

- Find 20 minutes this week to think through your own relationship to the unbelieving world. Does your own relating to the world align with the Biblical challenge to stand, submit, suffer, and serve? If not, what needs to change? Which piece or pieces are missing?
- Identify people in your life who you've seen as "enemies" or "others" rather than as "neighbors" and a "mission field." How can you reach out to serve and love at least one of these people this week?
- What is one way this Fall that you, with others in your Growth Group or with friends, can GO to the world locally or globally to serve and love?

2. _____ together (13:1-7)

3. _____ together (12:14, 17, 19)

NEXT WEEK: *Kick off of our study of Hebrews*



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Growth Groups are the glue that holds our church together, the way we find and follow Jesus together. If you are not involved in a Growth Group, now is the time to jump in at gracecentralcoast.org.

CONNECT *(ask these questions to check-in with your group)*

Lots of new folks are jumping in to Growth Groups. Spend time connecting and getting to know one another. Consider asking one member each week to share their spiritual story.

DISCUSS *(use some of these questions to process God's Word together)*

1. Read Romans 12:1-13:10 together as a group. How did you "come under" God's Word in the text and message this week? How were you challenged? Which verse is the most radical to you?
2. Do you think this Biblical approach we see in Romans 12 (stand, submit, suffer, serve) is the way the majority of Christians today are relating to the world? If not, why is that? How are we relating to the world instead?

3. What does it practically look like to bless those who persecute us? Can you think of any real life examples where you've seen this?
4. Which one of the four ways of living in and responding to the unbelieving world (stand, submit, suffer, serve) is most challenging or troublesome to you? Why?
5. We too often think that we stand, submit, suffer, and serve alone, but Romans 12 & 13 makes it clear that we do this together. So flesh out what it looks like for you to do each of these together. How can we lean into one another even as we live together in the world?

PRAY *(use these prompts to pray in response to God's Word)*

- Pray for those struggling through Covid. Pray for the elimination of Covid. Pray for God's mercy to be poured out in the midst of Covid.
- Pray that God would unify our church and move our church to respond to the unbelieving world in these 4 Biblical ways.
- With Romans 12 in hand, pray that the Lord would guide us as we seek to stand, submit, suffer, and serve together.