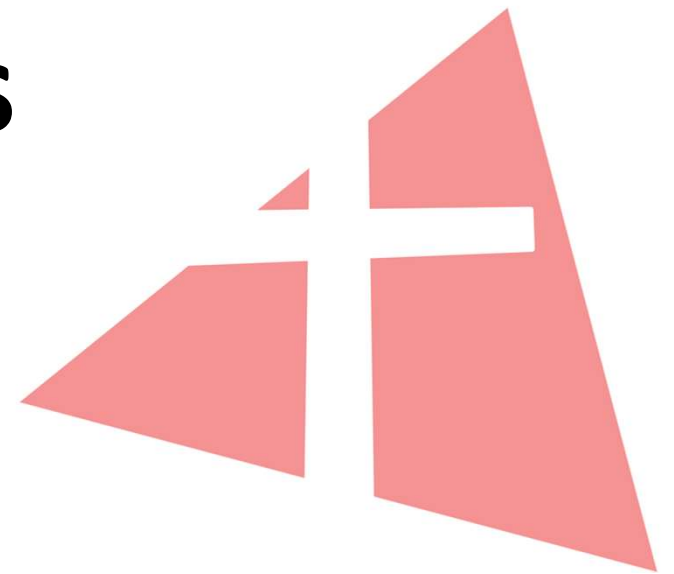


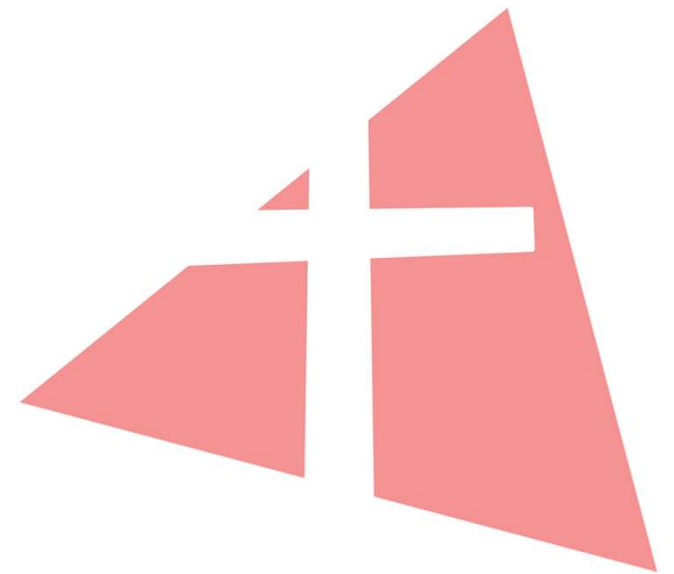
Faith and Relationships

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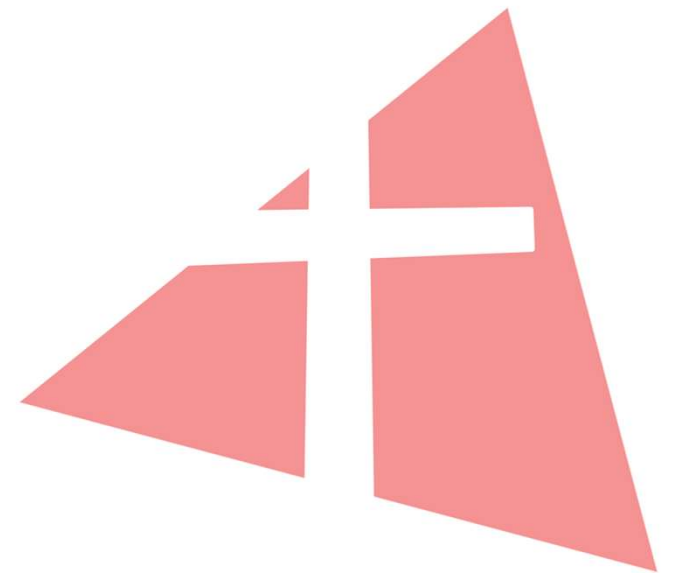
Our Series

○ Faith



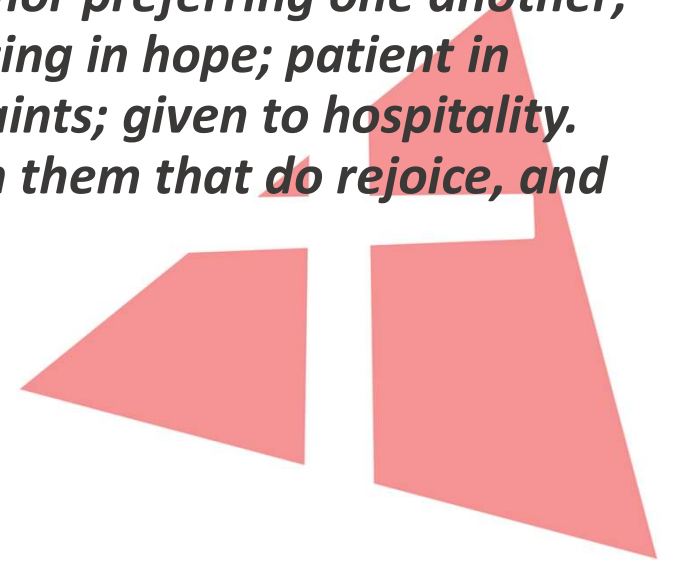
Today's Focus

- **Faith and Relationships**



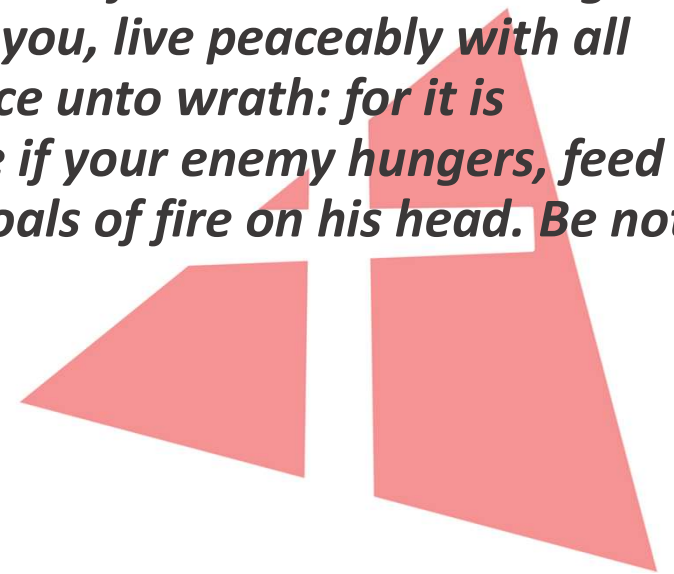
Paul's Commandment

Romans 12:9-21 Let love be without hypocrisy. Abhor that which is evil; cleave to that which is good. Be tender loving one to another with brotherly love; in honor preferring one another; Not slothful in business; fervent in spirit; serving the Lord; Rejoicing in hope; patient in tribulation; constant in prayer; Distributing to the necessity of saints; given to hospitality. Bless them who persecute you: bless, and curse not. Rejoice with them that do rejoice, and weep with them that weep.



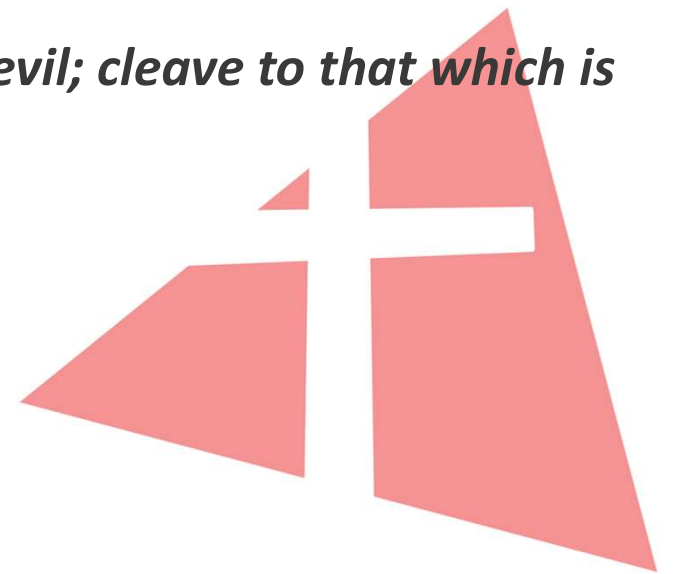
Paul's Commandment

Be of the same mind one toward another. Mind not high things, but condescend to men of low estate. Be not wise in your own conceits. Recompense to no man evil for evil. Provide things honest in the sight of all men. If it be possible, as much as lies in you, live peaceably with all men. Dearly beloved, avenge not yourselves, but rather give place unto wrath: for it is written, Vengeance is mine; I will repay, says the Lord. Therefore if your enemy hungers, feed him; if he thirsts, give him drink: for in so doing you shall heap coals of fire on his head. Be not overcome of evil, but overcome evil with good.



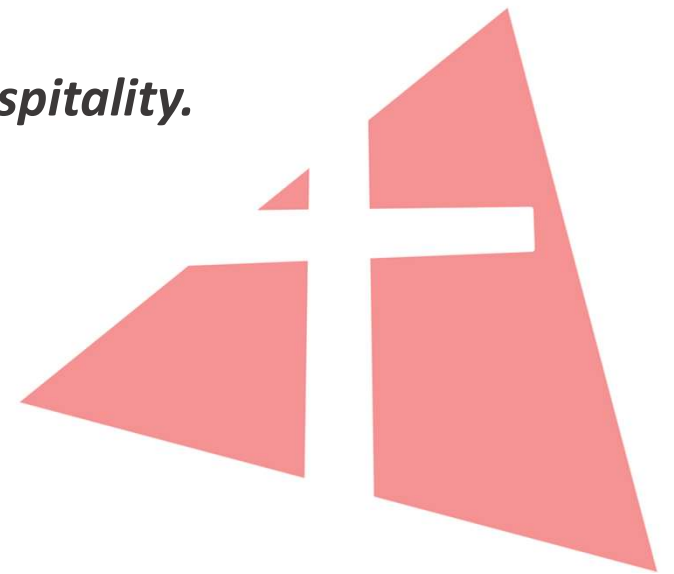
Love without hypocrisy

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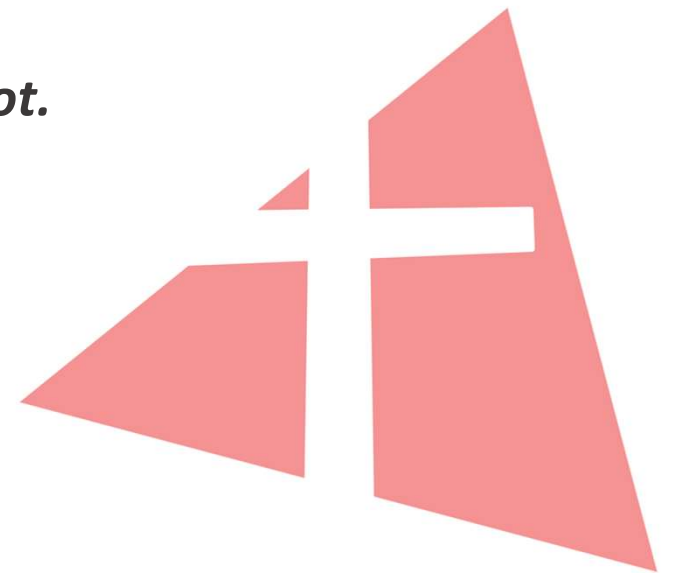
Caring for others

Romans 12:13 Distributing to the necessity of saints; given to hospitality.



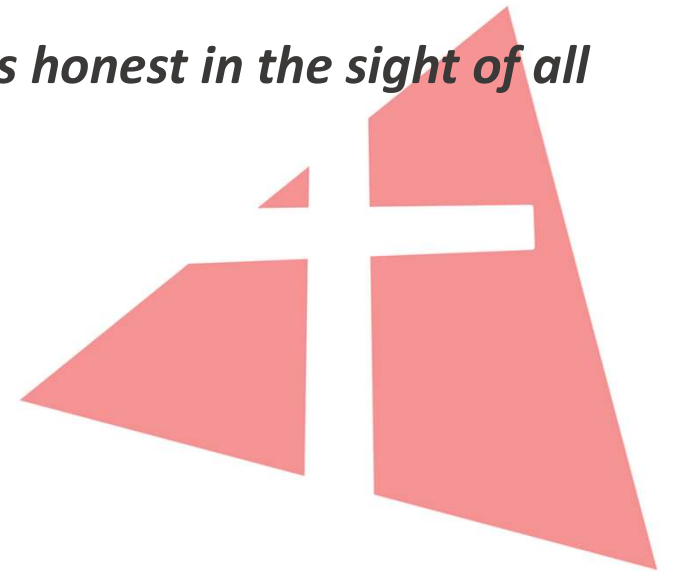
Dealing with persecution

Romans 12:14 Bless them who persecute you: bless, and curse not.



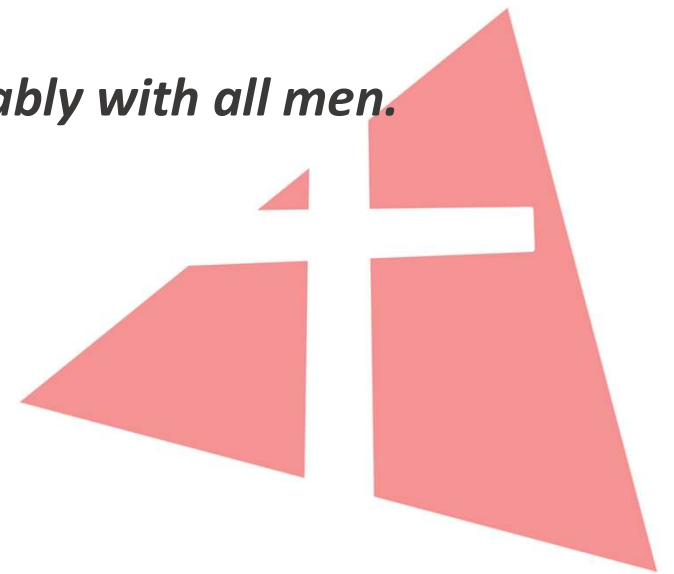
Responding to evil

Romans 12:17 Recompense to no man evil for evil. Provide things honest in the sight of all men.



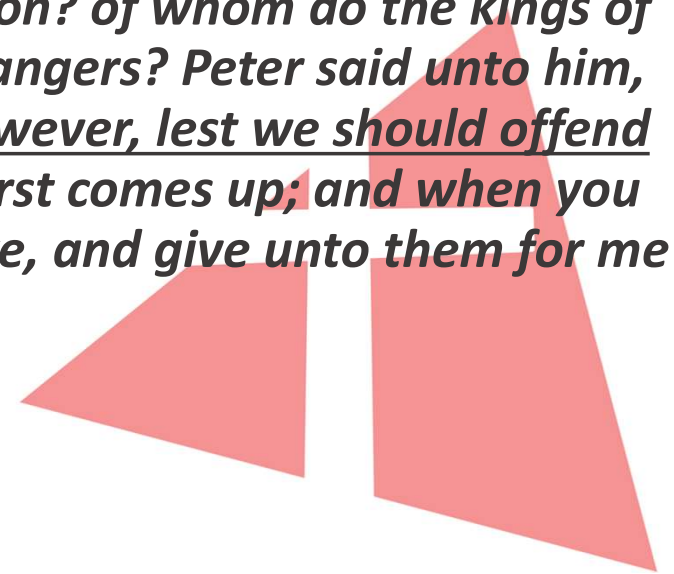
Live peaceably

Romans 12:18 If it be possible, as much as lies in you, live peaceably with all men.



Peace vs. being right

Matthew 17:24-27 And when they came to Capernaum, they that received tribute money came to Peter, and said, Does not your teacher pay tribute? He said, Yes. And when he came into the house, Jesus preceded him, saying, What think you, Simon? of whom do the kings of the earth take custom or tribute? of their own children, or of strangers? Peter said unto him, Of strangers. Jesus said unto him, Then are the children free. However, lest we should offend them, go to the sea, and cast a hook, and take up the fish that first comes up; and when you have opened its mouth, you shall find a piece of money: that take, and give unto them for me and you.



Give room for God

Romans 12:19 Dearly beloved, avenge not yourselves, but rather give place unto wrath: for it is written, Vengeance is mine; I will repay, says the Lord.



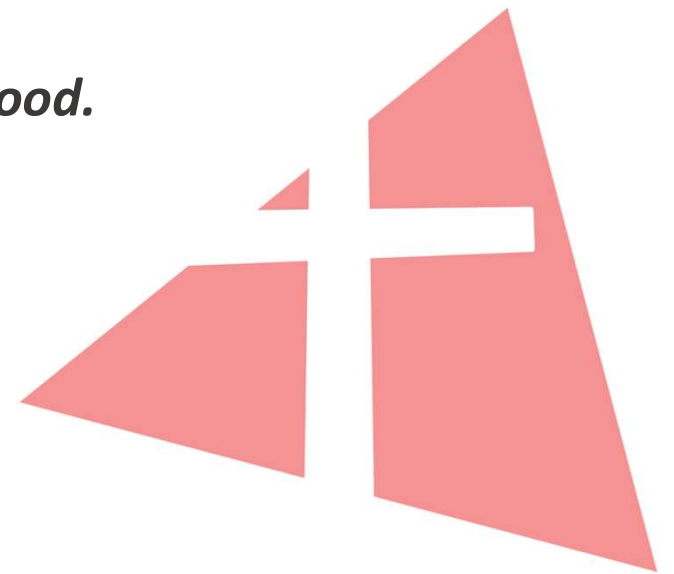
Go all in

Romans 12:20 Therefore if your enemy hungers, feed him; if he thirsts, give him drink: for in so doing you shall heap coals of fire on his head.



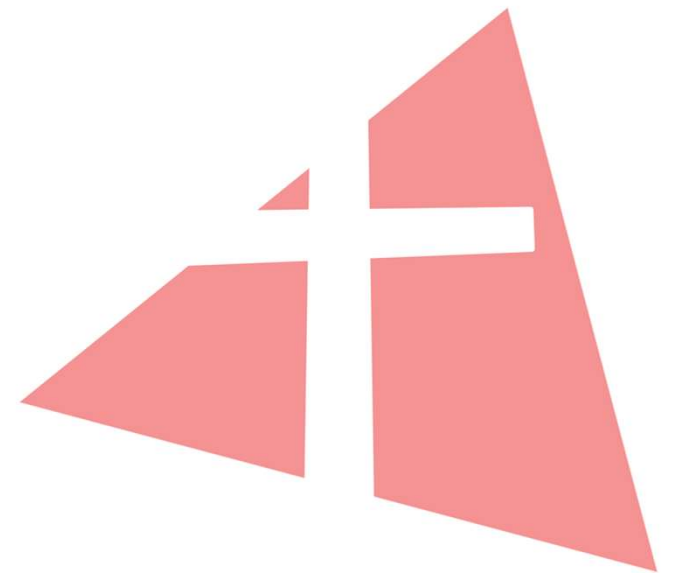
The Summary

Romans 12:21 Be not overcome of evil, but overcome evil with good.



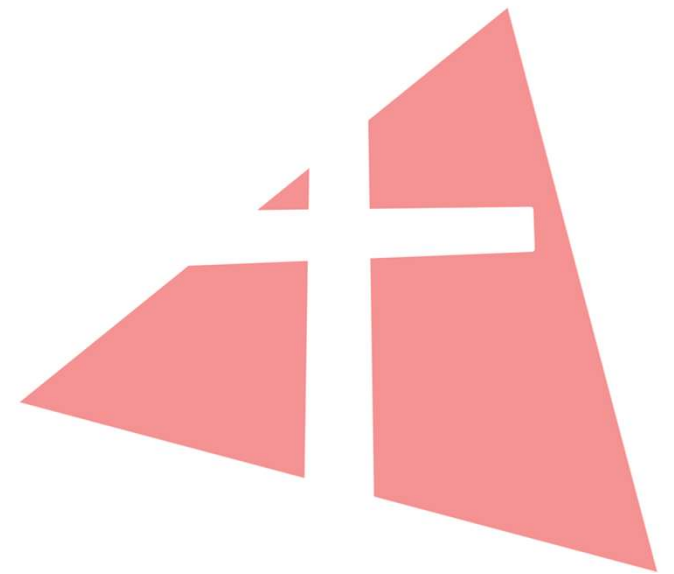
Why does it matter?

- **How we treat each other affects our relationship with God**
 - And in turn: Our Faith
- **Our Faith affects the way we treat each other**



Application

- **Am I growing in Faith because of my love and forgiveness?**



In Conclusion

- **One way of growing in our Faith is to work on our relationships**
 - Within the church
 - Outside the church

