

Practical Christian Living (Romans 12:9-13)**Pastor Deric***(9) Let love be genuine.**Abhor what is evil; hold fast to what is good.**(10) Love one another with brotherly affection.**Outdo one another in showing honor.**(11) Do not be slothful in zeal, be fervent in spirit, serve the Lord.**(12) Rejoice in hope,**be patient in tribulation,**be constant in prayer.**(13) Contribute to the needs of the saints**and seek to show hospitality.***Practical Application**

1. God's merciful love for us in Jesus Christ should change the way we live practically each day.
2. In light of God's great love, we should love God and people genuinely & sincerely from the depths of our heart.
3. You can rest in the fact that Jesus died for your imperfect love. Now you can grow in love each day through the Holy Spirit.
4. God wants you to hate evil and love good. Do you hate what God hates and love what God loves?
5. Love your brothers and sisters in Christ with a special family affection. Ask God to mature your emotions and feelings. We all need God's help with this.
6. A form of healthy competition is trying to honor others more than they honor you. Honor others each day.
7. We are freed to honor others because in Jesus Christ we have been made honored sons and daughters of God. Our secure position of honor enables us to honor others.
8. Jesus was shamed so that you might be honored. Understanding the gospel changes the way we live in very practical, down to earth, and daily ways.
9. Christians should be the most zealous, passionate, hard working, disciplined, and fervant people in the world. Don't give in to laziness, sloth, and lukewarmness.
10. Serve God with all your heart, soul, mind, and strength.
11. Because of Christ there is always hope. You can have a joy each day that the world can't.
12. You can patiently endure when you go through hard times because you know they will not last forever for you. God is working in your waiting.
13. God wants you to have an ongoing relationship with Him each day that is characterized by talking and listing to Him. Learn to pray without ceasing.
14. Give to Christians in a special way when they have genuine needs. Be as generous as you possibly can be.
15. Be a warm, inviting, caring, and a lovingly hospitable person.

Announcements

- Every Wednesday we have Children's programming (Awana) and Adult Bible Study (6:30-7:30). Dinner starts at 6.
- Mother Daughter Tea: Sunday, April 28th after worship.
- Mom and Son Nerf War. K-5th. Friday, May 3 at 6pm. Hotdog supper afterward.
- Baby and Child Dedication: Sunday, May 12. Please let Pastor Deric or our Children's Director, Tiffany Vick know if you would like to participate.
- Kid's summer Soccer Camp will be June 10-12 (6-8pm).
- Kid's summer Art Camp will be July 15-18 (5:30-8pm).
- All of our Small Groups meet weekly. See our small group guide to find one that is best for you.
- Our next Man Church is on May 18th from 5-7.
- Our Youth Group meets each Wednesday night from 6-7:30. See David Barrero for more info.
- Mighty Oaks Fundraiser: Tuesday (April 16). Pizza Hut in Calera. Fundraiser Code- RT