**Romans 12**

**Session 1 - Overview of Romans**

Centering “Romans 12:1-2”

Therefore, I urge you, brothers and sisters, in view of God’s mercy, to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God—this is your true and proper worship. Do not conform to the pattern of this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind. Then you will be able to test and approve what God’s will is—his good, pleasing and perfect will. (NIV)

“Authentic Leadership”

*“To be a good* leader we must become a good follower.”

30,000 Feet OVERVIEW of Romans “Therefore, in view of God’s mercy”

* + Romans 1-2 Sinfulness of mankind
  + Romans 3-7 Forgiveness of sin through Christ
  + Romans 8 Freedom from Sin’s grasp
  + Romans 9-11 Israel’s past, present & future
  + Romans 12 ff Therefore…

10,000 feet: OVERVIEW of Romans 12

Five Pillars of Romans 12 (Executive Summary of an Authentic Christ-Follower)

* Verse 1—Surrender to God: Your relationship with \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Verse 2—Separate from the world: Your relationship with the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Verses 3-8—Sober self-assessment: Your relationship with \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Verses 9-13—Serving in love: Your relationship with \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Verses 14-21—Supernaturally responding to evil with good: Your Relationship to \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

**NEXT WEEK: Memorize Romans 12:1**

**Questions:**

1.) When you were growing up, what did it mean to be a good Christian?

2.) As you were growing up, what was your view of God? What was He like?

3.) How has your understanding changed?

4.) In your opinion, why are so many Christians “Stuck” and not growing spiritually?

5.) How do you define spiritual maturity?

6.) How would you describe the road to spiritual maturity to a brand new Christian?

7.) Over the course of your life, who or what has had the most impact on your spiritual growth?

8.) How would you describe your spiritual growth over the last 5 years? When did you grow the most?

9.) How satisfied are you with your spiritual health?

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(Unhealthy) (Healthy)