



# *How to Respond to Grace*

## 1. Worship

Romans 11:33-36

## 2. Submit our bodies to God

Romans 12:1

## 3. Submit our minds to God

Romans 12:2-5

## 4. Submit our abilities to God

Romans 12:6-8

## 5. Love as we have been loved

<sup>9</sup>Let love be without hypocrisy.

Abhor what is evil; cling to what is good.

<sup>10</sup>Be devoted to one another in brotherly love;  
give preference to one another in honor;

### **Love God**

<sup>11</sup>not lagging behind in diligence, fervent in spirit, serving the Lord;

<sup>12</sup>rejoicing in hope,  
persevering in tribulation,  
devoted to prayer,

### **Love one another**

<sup>13</sup>contributing to the needs of the saints,  
practicing hospitality.

<sup>14</sup>Bless those who persecute you; bless and curse not.

<sup>15</sup>Rejoice with those who rejoice, and weep with those who weep.

<sup>16</sup>Be of the same mind toward one another;  
do not be haughty in mind, but associate with the lowly.  
Do not be wise in your own estimation.

### **Love enemies**

<sup>17</sup>Never pay back evil for evil to anyone.

Respect what is right in the sight of all men.

<sup>18</sup>If possible, so far as it depends on you, be at peace with all men.

<sup>19</sup>Never take your own revenge, beloved, but leave room for the wrath of God,  
for it is written, "Vengeance is Mine, I will repay," says the Lord.

<sup>20</sup>"But if your enemy is hungry, feed him, and if he is thirsty, give him a drink;  
for in so doing you will heap burning coals upon his head."

<sup>21</sup>Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

**Romans 13:1** Let every person be in subjection to the governing authorities.

For there is no authority except from God,  
and those which exist are established by God.

<sup>2</sup> Therefore he who resists authority has opposed the ordinance of God;  
and they who have opposed will receive condemnation upon themselves.

<sup>3</sup> For rulers are not a cause of fear for good behavior, but for evil.

Do you want to have no fear of authority?

Do what is good, and you will have praise from the same;

<sup>4</sup> for it is a minister of God to you for good. But if you do what is evil, be afraid; for it does not bear the sword for nothing;

for it is a minister of God,

an avenger who brings wrath upon the one who practices evil.

<sup>5</sup> Wherefore it is necessary to be in subjection,  
not only because of wrath, but also for conscience ' sake.

<sup>6</sup> For because of this you also pay taxes, for *rulers* are servants of God,  
devoting themselves to this very thing.

<sup>7</sup> Render to all what is due them: tax to whom tax *is due*;

custom to whom custom; fear to whom fear; honor to whom honor.

**1 Thessalonians 5:15** See that no one repays another with evil for evil, but always seek after that which is good for one another and for all men.

**1 Peter 2:17** Honor all men; love the brotherhood, fear God, honor the king.

<sup>18</sup> Servants, be submissive to your masters with all respect, not only to those who are good and gentle, but also to those who are unreasonable.

<sup>19</sup> For this *finds* favor, if for the sake of conscience toward God a man bears up under sorrows when suffering unjustly.

<sup>20</sup> For what credit is there if, when you sin and are harshly treated, you endure it with patience? But if when you do what is right and suffer *for it* you patiently endure it, this *finds* favor with God.

<sup>21</sup> For you have been called for this purpose, since Christ also suffered for you, leaving you an example for you to follow in His steps,

<sup>22</sup> who committed no sin, nor was any deceit found in His mouth;

<sup>23</sup> and while being reviled, He did not revile in return; while suffering, He uttered no threats, but kept entrusting *Himself* to Him who judges righteously;

<sup>24</sup> and He Himself bore our sins in His body on the cross, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness; for by His wounds you were healed.

<sup>25</sup> For you were continually straying like sheep, but now you have returned to the Shepherd and Guardian of your souls.

**1 Peter 3:8** To sum up, let all be harmonious, sympathetic, brotherly, kindhearted, and humble in spirit; <sup>9</sup> not returning evil for evil, or insult for insult, but giving a blessing instead; for you were called for the very purpose that you might inherit a blessing.

<sup>10</sup> For, "Let him who means to love life and see good days Refrain his tongue from evil and his lips from speaking guile.

<sup>11</sup> "And let him turn away from evil and do good; Let him seek peace and pursue it.

<sup>12</sup> "For the eyes of the Lord are upon the righteous, And His ears attend to their prayer, But the face of the Lord is against those who do evil."

<sup>13</sup> And who is there to harm you if you prove zealous for what is good?

<sup>14</sup> But even if you should suffer for the sake of righteousness, *you are* blessed. And do not fear their intimidation, and do not be troubled,

<sup>15</sup> but sanctify Christ as Lord in your hearts, *always being* ready to make a defense to everyone who asks you to give an account for the hope that is in you, yet with gentleness and reverence;

<sup>16</sup> and keep a good conscience so that in the thing in which you are slandered, those who revile your good behavior in Christ may be put to shame.

<sup>17</sup> For it is better, if God should will it so, that you suffer for doing what is right rather than for doing what is wrong.

**Matthew 5:38** "You have heard that it was said, 'An eye for an eye, and a tooth for a tooth.'

<sup>39</sup> "But I say to you, do not resist him who is evil; but whoever slaps you on your right cheek, turn to him the other also.

<sup>40</sup> "And if anyone wants to sue you, and take your shirt, let him have your coat also.

<sup>41</sup> "And whoever shall force you to go one mile, go with him two.

<sup>42</sup> "Give to him who asks of you, and do not turn away from him who wants to borrow from you.

<sup>43</sup> "You have heard that it was said, 'You shall love your neighbor, and hate your enemy.'

<sup>44</sup> "But I say to you, love your enemies, and pray for those who persecute you

<sup>45</sup> in order that you may be sons of your Father who is in heaven; for He causes His sun to rise on *the* evil and *the* good, and sends rain on *the* righteous and *the* unrighteous.

<sup>46</sup> "For if you love those who love you, what reward have you? Do not even the tax-gatherers do the same?

<sup>47</sup> "And if you greet your brothers only, what do you do more *than others*? Do not even the Gentiles do the same?

<sup>48</sup> "Therefore you are to be perfect, as your heavenly Father is perfect.