

BOOK TO THE ROMANS  
THE GOSPEL [GOOD NEWS] OF GOD  
SALVATION: THE DIVINE METHOD OF DELIVERANCE FROM SIN  
X. PRACTICAL DOCTRINES: THE GOSPEL APPLIED

1 CONSECRATION: THE FOUNDATION OF PRACTICAL CHRISTIANITY

A. Romans 12:1-2 Therefore, I urge you, brothers, in view of God's mercy, to offer your bodies as living sacrifices, holy and pleasing to God--this is your spiritual act of worship. [2] Do not conform any longer 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.

i. **CONSECRATION [from Easton's Bible Dictionary]** the devoting or setting apart of anything to the worship or service of God. The race of Abraham and the tribe of Levi were thus consecrated (Exodus 13:2 The Hebrews devoted their fields and cattle, and sometimes the spoils of war, to the Lord (Leviticus 27:28-29 According to the Mosaic law the first-born both of man and beast were consecrated to God. In the New Testament, Christians are regarded as consecrated to the Lord (1 Peter 2:9

(1) **1 Peter 2:9** But you are a chosen people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people belonging to God, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light.

ii. **Ephesians. 4:20-24** You, however, did not come to know Christ that way. <sup>21</sup>Surely you heard of him and were taught in him in accordance with the truth that is in Jesus. <sup>22</sup>You were taught, with regard to your former way of life, to put off your old self, which is being corrupted by its deceitful desires; <sup>23</sup>to be made new in the attitude of your minds; <sup>24</sup>and to put on the new self, created to be like God in true righteousness and holiness.

iii. **Col. 3:5-10** Put to death, therefore, whatever belongs to your earthly nature: sexual immorality, impurity, lust, evil desires and greed, which is idolatry. <sup>6</sup>Because of these, the wrath of God is coming. <sup>7</sup>You used to walk in these ways, in the life you once lived. <sup>8</sup>But now you must rid yourselves of all such things as these: anger, rage, malice, slander, and filthy language from your lips. <sup>9</sup>Do not lie to each other, since you have taken off your old self with its practices <sup>10</sup>and have put on the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge in the image of its Creator.

iv. **John 3:21** But whoever lives by the truth comes into the light, so that it may be seen plainly that what he has done has been done through God."

v. **John 4:23** Yet a time is coming and has now come when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for they are the kind of worshipers the Father seeks.

(1) True worship is with the SPIRIT, SOUL and BODY

(a) We each must ask, how am I doing?

vi. Two commands in this set of instructions.

(1) Do not be conformed to this World.

(a) Life style

(2) Be transformed so that you will do the good, except able and perfect will of God.

(a) You may say, "Andy, no one can do that"

(i) **Romans 11:16** If the part of the dough offered as firstfruits is holy, then the whole batch is holy; if the root is holy, so are the branches.

(ii) **Ephesians. 1:4** For he chose us in him before the creation of the world to be holy and blameless in his sight. In love

(iii) **Ephesians. 5:27** and to present her to himself as a radiant church, without stain or wrinkle or any other blemish, but holy and blameless.

(iv) **Rev. 22:11** Let him who does wrong continue to do wrong; let him who is vile continue to be vile; let him who does right continue to do right; and let him who is holy continue to be holy."

1) The change is done here and now. Not later!!

(b) **1 Cor. 3:17** If anyone destroys [ defiles] God's temple, God will destroy him; for

God's temple is sacred, and you are that temple.

- (c) **Hebrews 7:26** Such a high priest meets our need--one who is holy, blameless, pure, set apart from sinners, exalted above the heavens.
- (d) **1 Peter 1:15** But just as he who called you is holy, so be holy in all you do;
  - (i) **1 Cor. 3:17** If any man defile the temple of God, him shall God destroy; for the temple of God is holy, which *temple* ye are.
  - (ii) **Hebrews 7:26** For such an high priest became us, *who is* holy, harmless, undefiled, separate from sinners, and made higher than the heavens;
    - 1) Here is the requirement on the life of the believer - Became us [past tense]. [us] we who belong to God.
  - (iii) **1 Peter 1:15** But as he which hath called you is holy, so be ye holy in all manner of conversation;

## 2 Body of Christ and Spiritual Gifts

- a. Romans 12: [3] For by the grace given me I say to every one of you: Do not think of yourself more highly than you ought, but rather think of yourself with sober judgment, in accordance with the measure of faith God has given you. [4] Just as each of us has one body with many members, and these members do not all have the same function, [5] so in Christ we who are many form one body, and each member belongs to all the others. [6] We have different gifts, according to the grace given us. If a man's gift is prophesying, let him use it in proportion to his faith. [7] If it is serving, let him serve; if it is teaching, let him teach; [8] if it is encouraging, let him encourage; if it is contributing to the needs of others, let him give generously; if it is leadership, let him govern diligently; if it is showing mercy, let him do it cheerfully.
- i. A comparison of the church to a human body
  - (1) **1 Cor. 12:12-28** The body is a unit, though it is made up of many parts; and though all its parts are many, they form one body. So it is with Christ. <sup>13</sup>For we were all baptized by one Spirit into one body--whether Jews or Greeks, slave or free--and we were all given the one Spirit to drink. <sup>14</sup>Now the body is not made up of one part but of many. <sup>15</sup>If the foot should say, "Because I am not a hand, I do not belong to the body," it would not for that reason cease to be part of the body. <sup>16</sup>And if the ear should say, "Because I am not an eye, I do not belong to the body," it would not for that reason cease to be part of the body. <sup>17</sup>If the whole body were an eye, where would the sense of hearing be? If the whole body were an ear, where would the sense of smell be? <sup>18</sup>But in fact God has arranged the parts in the body, every one of them, just as he wanted them to be. <sup>19</sup>If they were all one part, where would the body be? <sup>20</sup>As it is, there are many parts, but one body. <sup>21</sup>The eye cannot say to the hand, "I don't need you!" And the head cannot say to the feet, "I don't need you!" <sup>22</sup>On the contrary, those parts of the body that seem to be weaker are indispensable, <sup>23</sup>and the parts that we think are less honorable we treat with special honor. And the parts that are unpresentable are treated with special modesty, <sup>24</sup>while our presentable parts need no special treatment. But God has combined the members of the body and has given greater honor to the parts that lacked it, <sup>25</sup>so that there should be no division in the body, but that its parts should have equal concern for each other. <sup>26</sup>If one part suffers, every part suffers with it; if one part is honored, every part rejoices with it. <sup>27</sup>Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it. <sup>28</sup>And in the church God has appointed first of all apostles, second prophets, third teachers, then workers of miracles, also those having gifts of healing, those able to help others, those with gifts of administration, and those speaking in different kinds of tongues.
- ii. Understand the Gifts of the Spirit
  - (1) **1 Cor. 12:4-11** There are different kinds of gifts, but the same Spirit. <sup>5</sup>There are different kinds of service, but the same Lord. <sup>6</sup>There are different kinds of working, but the same God works all of them in all men. <sup>7</sup>Now to each one the manifestation of the Spirit is given for the common good. <sup>8</sup>To one there is given through the Spirit the message of wisdom, to another the message of knowledge by means of the same Spirit, <sup>9</sup>to another faith by the same Spirit, to another gifts of healing by that one Spirit, <sup>10</sup>to another miraculous powers, to another prophecy, to another distinguishing between

spirits, to another speaking in different kinds of tongues, and to still another the interpretation of tongues. <sup>11</sup>All these are the work of one and the same Spirit, and he gives them to each one, just as he determines.

- (2) **1 Cor. 12:27-31** Now you are the body of Christ, and each one of you is a part of it. <sup>28</sup>And in the church God has appointed first of all apostles, second prophets, third teachers, then workers of miracles, also those having gifts of healing, those able to help others, those with gifts of administration, and those speaking in different kinds of tongues. <sup>29</sup>Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? <sup>30</sup>Do all have gifts of healing? Do all speak in tongues? Do all interpret? <sup>31</sup>But eagerly desire the greater gifts. And now I will show you the most excellent way.

- iii. **Romans 12:7** Or ministry, *let us wait on our ministering*: or he that teacheth, on teaching  
 (1) What Paul is saying here, as seen in the King James, God has called each of us to a ministry. Wait and be ready to use it. You may be ready, the Holy Spirit around you may still need to do work on others.  
 (a) This is why he says, do it in love.

### 3 Twenty Commands Regulation Christian Brotherhood

- a. Romans 12:[9] Love must be sincere. Hate what is evil; cling to what is good. [10] Be devoted to one another in brotherly love. Honor one another above yourselves. [11] Never be lacking in zeal, but keep your spiritual fervor, serving the Lord. [12] Be joyful in hope, patient in affliction, faithful in prayer. [13] Share with God's people who are in need. Practice hospitality. [14] Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse. [15] Rejoice with those who rejoice; mourn with those who mourn. [16] Live in harmony with one another. Do not be proud, but be willing to associate with people of low position. Do not be conceited.

1. Be devoted to one another in brotherly love	<b>2 Cor. 6:6</b> in purity, understanding, patience and kindness; in the Holy Spirit and in sincere love; <b>1 Peter 1:22</b> Now that you have purified yourselves by obeying the truth so that you have sincere love for your brothers, love one another deeply, from the heart.
2 Hate what is evil	<b>1 Cor. 5:11</b> But now I am writing you that you must not associate with anyone who calls himself a brother but is sexually immoral or greedy, an idolater or a slanderer, a drunkard or a swindler. With such a man do not even eat. <b>1 Cor. 6:10</b> nor thieves nor the greedy nor drunkards nor slanderers nor swindlers will inherit the kingdom of God.
3. Cling to Good	<b>John 15:8</b> This is to my Father's glory, that you bear much fruit, showing yourselves to be my disciples. <b>Titus 2:14</b> who gave himself for us to redeem us from all wickedness and to purify for himself a people that are his very own, eager to do what is good.
4. Be devoted to one another in brotherly love.	<b>Luke 10:36-37</b> "Which of these three do you think was a neighbor to the man who fell into the hands of robbers?" <sup>37</sup> The expert in the law replied, "The one who had mercy on him." Jesus told him, "Go and do likewise." <b>Philip. 2:30</b> because he almost died for the work of Christ, risking his life to make up for the help you could not give me.
5.Honor one another above yourselves.	<b>1 Cor. 10:33</b> even as I try to please everybody in every way. For I am not seeking my own good but the good of many, so that they may be saved. <b>Ephesians. 4:29</b> Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen.

6. Never be lacking in zeal, - what ever you do, do your best	<b>Matthew 7:12</b> So in everything, do to others what you would have them do to you, for this sums up the Law and the Prophets. <b>Hebrews 6:11</b> We want each of you to show this same diligence to the very end, in order to make your hope sure.
7. keep your spiritual fervor,	<b>2 Tim. 1:6</b> For this reason I remind you to fan into flame the gift of God, which is in you through the laying on of my hands. <b>2 Peter 1:13</b> I think it is right to refresh your memory as long as I live in the tent of this body,
8. Serve the Lord	<b>Luke 16:13</b> "No servant can serve two masters. Either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve both God and Money." <b>Hebrews 12:28</b> Therefore, since we are receiving a kingdom that cannot be shaken, let us be thankful, and so worship God acceptably with reverence and awe,
9. Rejoice in Hope	<b>Psalms 31:24</b> Be strong and take heart, all you who hope in the LORD. <b>1 Peter 1:21</b> Through him you believe in God, who raised him from the dead and glorified him, and so your faith and hope are in God.
10. Patient in Tribulation	<b>Psalms 37:7</b> Be still before the LORD and wait patiently for him; do not fret when men succeed in their ways, when they carry out their wicked schemes. . <b>James 5:7</b> Be patient, then, brothers, until the Lord's coming. See how the farmer waits for the land to yield its valuable crop and how patient he is for the autumn and spring rains.
11. Continuing in Prayer	<b>Psalms 5:1-3</b> Give ear to my words, O LORD, consider my sighing. <sup>2</sup> Listen to my cry for help, my King and my God, for to you I pray. <sup>3</sup> In the morning, O LORD, you hear my voice; in the morning I lay my requests before you and wait in expectation. <b>1 Thessalonians. 5:17</b> pray continually; <b>1 Tim. 5:5</b> The widow who is really in need and left all alone puts her hope in God and continues night and day to pray and to ask God for help.
12. Giving to saints in need	<b>Matthew 6:1-4</b> "Be careful not to do your 'acts of righteousness' before men, to be seen by them. If you do, you will have no reward from your Father in heaven. <sup>2</sup> "So when you give to the needy, do not announce it with trumpets, as the hypocrites do in the synagogues and on the streets, to be honored by men. I tell you the truth, they have received their reward in full. <sup>3</sup> But when you give to the needy, do not let your left hand know what your right hand is doing, <sup>4</sup> so that your giving may be in secret. Then your Father, who sees what is done in secret, will reward you. <b>2 Cor. 9:6-7</b> Remember this: Whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows generously will also reap generously. <sup>7</sup> Each man should give what he has decided in his heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver.

13. Give hospitality	<p><b>Luke 14:12-14</b> Then Jesus said to his host, "When you give a luncheon or dinner, do not invite your friends, your brothers or relatives, or your rich neighbors; if you do, they may invite you back and so you will be repaid. <sup>13</sup>But when you give a banquet, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind, <sup>14</sup>and you will be blessed. Although they cannot repay you, you will be repaid at the resurrection of the righteous."</p> <p><b>Titus 1:7-8</b> Since an overseer is entrusted with God's work, he must be blameless--not overbearing, not quick-tempered, not given to drunkenness, not violent, not pursuing dishonest gain. <sup>8</sup>Rather he must be hospitable, one who loves what is good, who is self-controlled, upright, holy and disciplined.</p> <p><b>Hebrews 13:2</b> Do not forget to entertain strangers, for by so doing some people have entertained angels without knowing it.</p>
14. Bless those that persecute you Bless and curse not	<p><b>Psalms 37:32</b> The wicked lie in wait for the righteous, seeking their very lives;</p> <p><b>Matthew 5:10-12</b> Blessed are those who are persecuted because of righteousness, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven. <sup>11</sup>"Blessed are you when people insult you, persecute you and falsely say all kinds of evil against you because of me. <sup>12</sup>Rejoice and be glad, because great is your reward in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.</p> <p><b>2 Tim. 2:12</b> if we endure, we will also reign with him. If we disown him, he will also disown us;</p>
15. Rejoice with those who rejoice	<p><b>Deut. 26:11</b> And you and the Levites and the aliens among you shall rejoice in all the good things the LORD your God has given to you and your household.</p> <p><b>1 Cor. 12:26</b> If one part suffers, every part suffers with it; if one part is honored, every part rejoices with it.</p> <p><b>Philip. 4:4</b> Rejoice in the Lord always. I will say it again: Rejoice!</p>
16. Weep with those who weep	<p><b>Exodus 3:7</b> The LORD said, "I have indeed seen the misery of my people in Egypt. I have heard them crying out because of their slave drivers, and I am concerned about their suffering.</p> <p><b>Exodus 22:23</b> If you do and they cry out to me, I will certainly hear their cry.</p> <p><b>2 Samuel 22:7</b> In my distress I called to the LORD; I called out to my God. From his temple he heard my voice; my cry came to his ears.</p> <p><b>Luke 18:3-8</b> And will not God bring about justice for his chosen ones, who cry out to him day and night? Will he keep putting them off? <sup>8</sup>I tell you, he will see that they get justice, and quickly. However, when the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on the earth?"</p>
17. Be of the same mind	<p><b>1 Cor. 1:10</b> I appeal to you, brothers, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you agree with one another so that there may be no divisions among you and that you may be perfectly united in mind and thought.</p> <p><b>1 Peter 3:8</b> Finally, all of you, live in harmony with one another; be sympathetic, love as brothers, be compassionate and humble.</p>



18. Do not be high minded	<p><b>Titus 2:6</b> Similarly, encourage the young men to be self-controlled.</p> <p><b>James 1:8</b> he is a double-minded man, unstable in all he does.</p> <p><b>Jeremiah 13:15</b> Hear and pay attention, do not be arrogant, for the LORD has spoken.</p> <p><b>Jeremiah 13:17</b> But if you do not listen, I will weep in secret because of your pride; my eyes will weep bitterly, overflowing with tears, because the LORD's flock will be taken captive.</p> <p><b>Jeremiah 48:7</b> Since you trust in your deeds and riches, you too will be taken captive, and Chemosh will go into exile, together with his priests and officials.</p> <p><b>Matthew 20:26-27</b> Not so with you. Instead, whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant,<sup>27</sup> and whoever wants to be first must be your slave—</p>
19. Prefer men of low estate	<p><b>Psalms 14:6</b> You evildoers frustrate the plans of the poor, but the LORD is their refuge.</p> <p><b>Psalms 34:6</b> This poor man called, and the LORD heard him; he saved him out of all his troubles.</p> <p><b>Matthew 11:5</b> The blind receive sight, the lame walk, those who have leprosy are cured, the deaf hear, the dead are raised, and the good news is preached to the poor.</p> <p><b>Luke 16:22</b> "The time came when the beggar died and the angels carried him to Abraham's side. The rich man also died and was buried.</p> <p><b>James 2:5</b> Listen, my dear brothers: Has not God chosen those who are poor in the eyes of the world to be rich in faith and to inherit the kingdom he promised those who love him?</p>
20. Do not think to highly of yourself	<p><b>Col. 2:18</b> Do not let anyone who delights in false humility and the worship of angels disqualify you for the prize. Such a person goes into great detail about what he has seen, and his unspiritual mind puffs him up with idle notions.</p> <p><b>James 4:10</b> Humble yourselves before the Lord, and he will lift you up.</p> <p><b>1 Peter 5:5</b> Young men, in the same way be submissive to those who are older. All of you, clothe yourselves with humility toward one another, because, "God opposes the proud but gives grace to the humble."</p>

4 Seven Commands regulating Christian conduct to the world

- a. Romans 12:[17] Do not repay anyone evil for evil. Be careful to do what is right in the eyes of everybody. [18] If it is possible, as far as it depends on you, live at peace with everyone. [19] Do not take revenge, my friends, but leave room for God's wrath, for it is written: "It is mine to avenge; I will repay," says the Lord. [20] On the contrary: "If your enemy is hungry, feed him; if he is thirsty, give him something to drink. In doing this, you will heap burning coals on his head." [21] Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.

1. Do not repay anyone evil for evil	<p><b>John 15:18</b> "If the world hates you, keep in mind that it hated me first.</p> <p><b>Matthew 5:44</b> But I tell you: Love your enemies and pray for those who persecute</p>
2. do what is right in the eyes of everybody	<p><b>Luke 6:27-28</b> "But I tell you who hear me: Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you,<sup>28</sup> bless those who curse you, pray for those who mistreat you.</p>

3. live at peace with everyone	<b>Luke 6:34-36</b> And if you lend to those from whom you expect repayment, what credit is that to you? Even 'sinners' lend to 'sinners,' expecting to be repaid in full. <sup>35</sup> But love your enemies, do good to them, and lend to them without expecting to get anything back. Then your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High, because he is kind to the ungrateful and wicked. <sup>36</sup> Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful.
4. Do not take revenge	<b>Ezekiel 25:15-17</b> "This is what the Sovereign LORD says: 'Because the Philistines acted in vengeance and took revenge with malice in their hearts, and with ancient hostility sought to destroy Judah, <sup>16</sup> therefore this is what the Sovereign LORD says: I am about to stretch out my hand against the Philistines, and I will cut off the Kerethites and destroy those remaining along the coast. <sup>17</sup> I will carry out great vengeance on them and punish them in my wrath. Then they will know that I am the LORD, when I take vengeance on them.' " <b>Amos 1:11-12</b> This is what the LORD says: "For three sins of Edom, even for four, I will not turn back my wrath. Because he pursued his brother with a sword, stifling all compassion, because his anger raged continually and his fury flamed unchecked, <sup>12</sup> I will send fire upon Teman that will consume the fortresses of Bozrah."
5. "If your enemy is hungry, feed him	<b>Psalms 23:5</b> You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies. You anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows. <b>Psalms 111:5</b> He provides food for those who fear him; he remembers his covenant forever. <b>Psalms 136:25</b> and who gives food to every creature. His love endures forever Matthew 6:11 <b>Give us today our daily bread.</b> <b>1 Tim. 4:3-5</b> They forbid people to marry and order them to abstain from certain foods, which God created to be received with thanksgiving by those who believe and who know the truth. <sup>4</sup> For everything God created is good, and nothing is to be rejected if it is received with thanksgiving, <sup>5</sup> because it is consecrated by the word of God and prayer.
6. thirsty, give him something to drink.	
7 Overcome evil with good.	<b>John 16:33</b> "I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world." <b>1 John 4:4</b> You, dear children, are from God and have overcome them, because the one who is in you is greater than the one who is in the world.