**Romans Series August 27, 2023**

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3. **Diligent** service of the Lord

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4. Full of **hope**.

* + Romans 12:12a  
    Rejoicing in hope.

5. Patience in **suffering**.

* + Romans 12:12b  
    Persevering in tribulation.

6. **Consistent** in prayer.

* + Romans 12:12c  
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7. **Generosity** to those in need, especially strangers.

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8. Blessing toward those people who **persecute you**.

* + Romans 12:14  
    Bless those who persecute you;  
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9. **Compassion** with all people.

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    Rejoice with those who rejoice,  
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10. **Unity of purpose** with other Christians.

* + Romans 12:16a  
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11.**Humble association** with all people.

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