



Bible Study Notes

Book of Romans Part 34
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Romans 12:9-13

⁹ Love must be sincere. Hate what is evil; cling to what is good. ¹⁰ Be devoted to one another in 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 the Lord's people who are in need. Practice hospitality.

Love must be sincere and real.

We should never relish anyone being done wrong.

1 Corinthians 13:4-7

⁴ Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. ⁵ It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. ⁶ Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. ⁷ It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres.

God is good.

Clinging to good means clinging to God and His Word.

God's goodness should cause an obedient response in us.

Psalms 116:12-14

¹² What shall I return to the LORD
for all his goodness to me?

¹³ I will lift up the cup of salvation
and call on the name of the LORD.

¹⁴ I will fulfill my vows to the LORD
in the presence of all his people.

Discard what displeases God - Cling to what pleases Him.

Ephesians 5:10

¹⁰ and find out what pleases the Lord.

One of the best ways to be devoted to others in love is to put their needs before your own.



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Protect yourself from burnout!

How do we prevent spiritual burnout?

Be honest. (with God, yourself, and someone you trust)

Avoid isolation.

Take a rest.

Rejuvenate your spirit through worship.

The joy of the Lord is not predicated on circumstances.

1 Chronicles 16:27

***²⁷ Splendor and majesty are before him;
strength and joy are in his dwelling place.***

Nehemiah 8:10

¹⁰ ...the joy of the LORD is your strength."

Happiness is an emotional state.

Joy is a spiritual state.

We have joy because of the hope we have in God and His promises!

Psalms 25:1-3

***¹ In you, LORD my God,
I put my trust.***

***² I trust in you;
do not let me be put to shame,
nor let my enemies triumph over me.***

***³ No one who hopes in you
will ever be put to shame***

Romans 15:13

¹³ May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Perseverance: continuing to do something despite difficulties, failure, or opposition.



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Romans 5:1-5

¹ Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we^[a] have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, ² through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand. And we boast in the hope of the glory of God. ³ Not only so, but we also glory in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; ⁴ perseverance, character; and character, hope. ⁵ And hope does not put us to shame, because God's love has been poured out into our hearts through the Holy Spirit, who has been given to us.

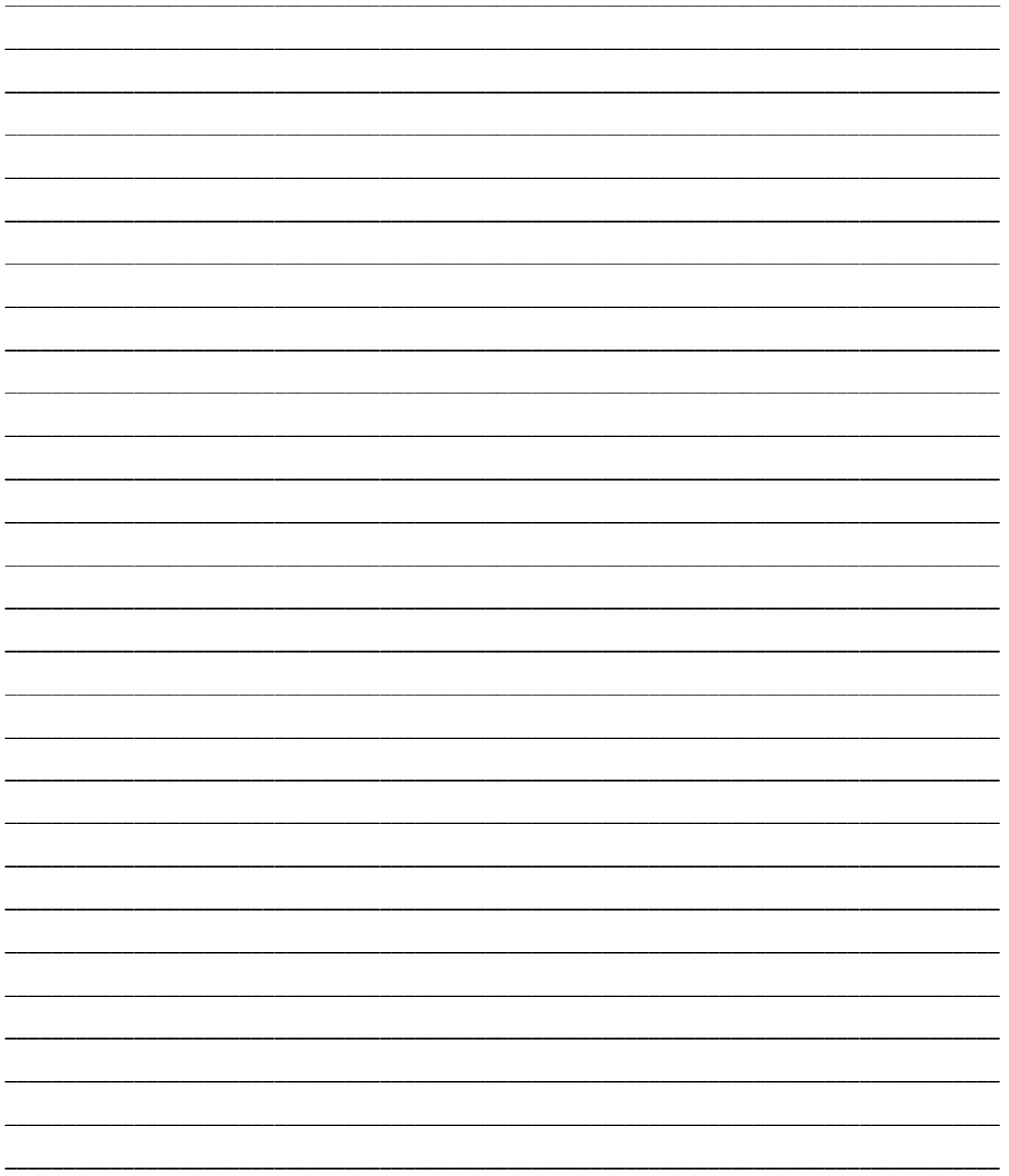
As we spiritually mature, hard times will always drive us to prayer.

Acts 2:42-47

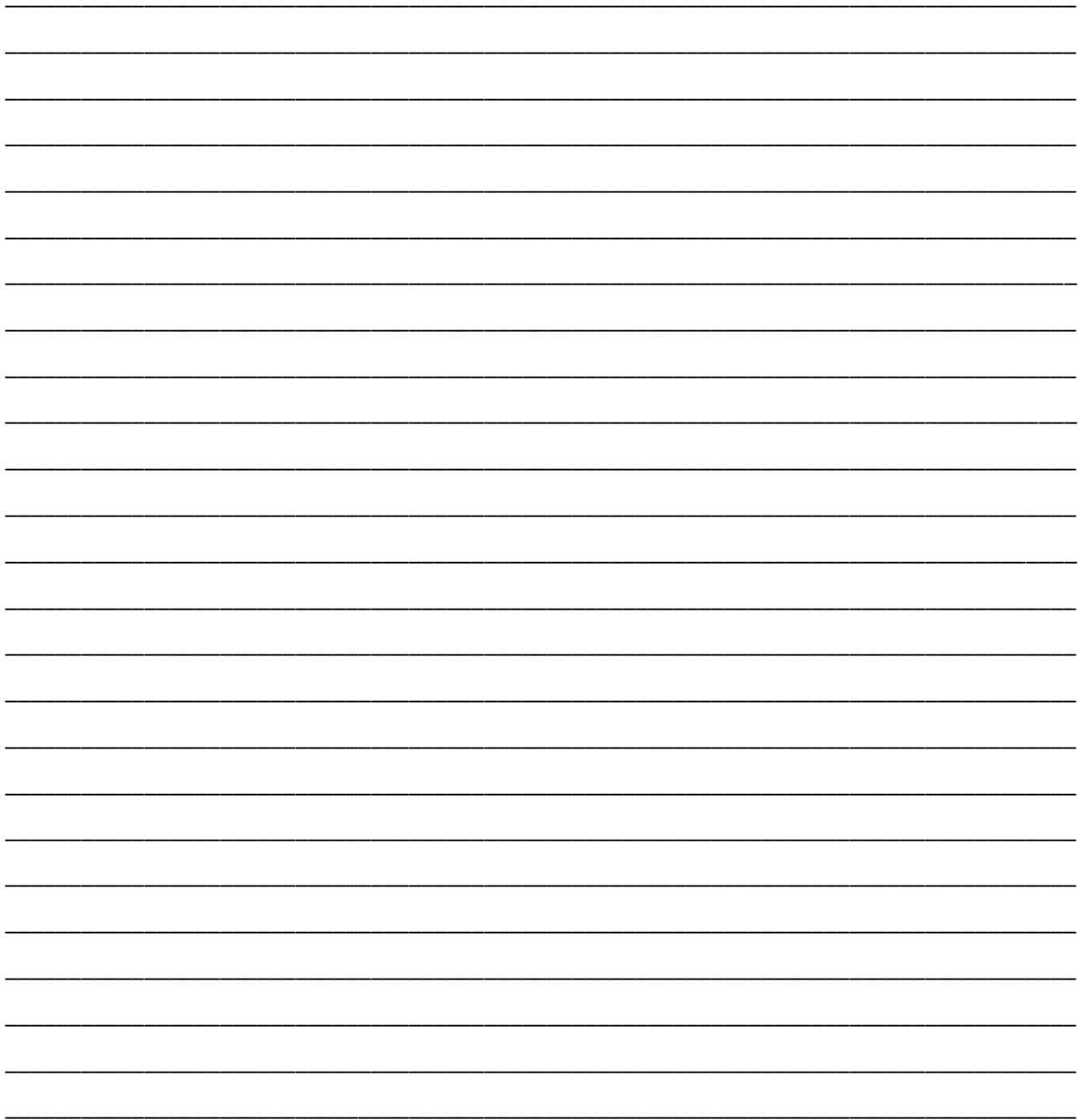
⁴² They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer. ⁴³ Everyone was filled with awe at the many wonders and signs performed by the apostles. ⁴⁴ All the believers were together and had everything in common. ⁴⁵ They sold property and possessions to give to anyone who had need. ⁴⁶ Every day they continued to meet together in the temple courts. They broke bread in their homes and ate together with glad and sincere hearts, ⁴⁷ praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved.

Hospitality: *Opening your life and your home to others.*

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