



Bible Study Notes

Book of Romans Part 38

December 7, 2022

Romans 13:11-14

¹¹ And do this, understanding the present time: The hour has already come for you to wake up from your slumber, because our salvation is nearer now than when we first believed. ¹² The night is nearly over; the day is almost here. So let us put aside the deeds of darkness and put on the armor of light. ¹³ Let us behave decently, as in the daytime, not in carousing and drunkenness, not in sexual immorality and debauchery, not in dissension and jealousy. ¹⁴ Rather, clothe yourselves with the Lord Jesus Christ, and do not think about how to gratify the desires of the flesh.

With every day, we are closer to Jesus' return.

2 Chronicles 7:14

¹⁴ if my people, who are called by my name, will humble themselves and pray and seek my face and turn from their wicked ways, then I will hear from heaven, and I will forgive their sin and will heal their land.

Ephesians 5:8-11

⁸ For you were once darkness, but now you are light in the Lord. Live as children of light ⁹ (for the fruit of the light consists in all goodness, righteousness and truth) ¹⁰ and find out what pleases the Lord. ¹¹ Have nothing to do with the fruitless deeds of darkness, but rather expose them.

We are called to live like people who have been brought from darkness into the light.

How would your life change if you lived like Jesus was returning today?

Jesus is coming – be ready!

1 John 3:1-3

¹ See what great love the Father has lavished on us, that we should be called children of God! And that is what we are! The reason the world does not know us is that it did not know him. ² Dear friends, now we are children of God, and what we will be has not yet been made known. But we know that when Christ appears, we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is. ³ All who have this hope in him purify themselves, just as he is pure.



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Romans 12:1-2

¹ 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. ² 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.

As we approach the time of Jesus' return, it is time to honor what God has done for us by prioritizing our position of belief and obedience, with a desire to please God with our lives. This will put us in a place where we can seek Him and know His will.

This will also put us in a place where we can stand with confidence on the day of judgment!

1 John 4:16-17

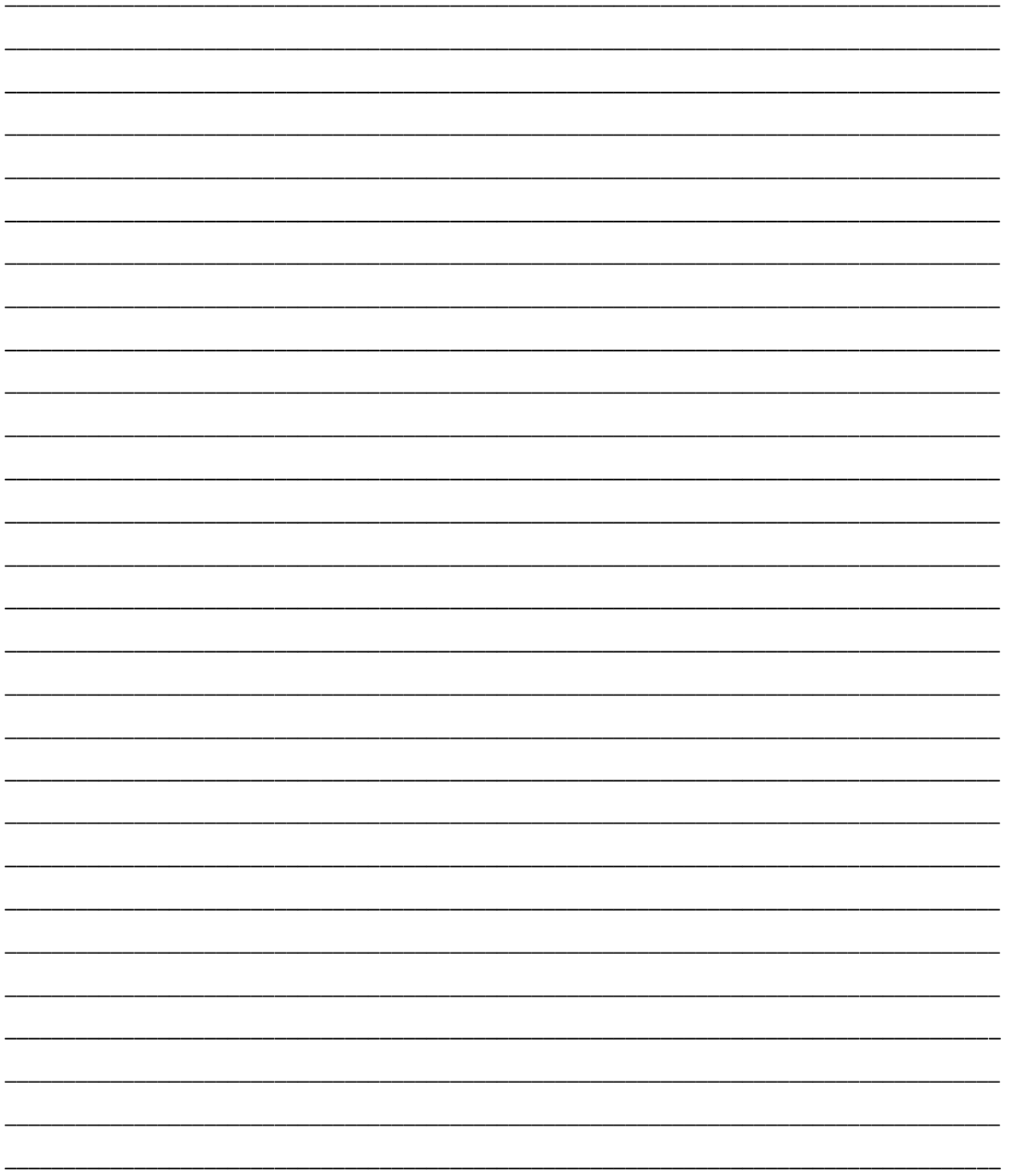
¹⁶ And so we know and rely on the love God has for us. God is love. Whoever lives in love lives in God, and God in them. ¹⁷ This is how love is made complete among us so that we will have confidence on the day of judgment: In this world we are like Jesus.

As we live in God, our love for Him and others grows more perfectly. When we live like this, we will be able to face anything, including the most daunting day of all - the day of judgment. On that great day, we need not fear, but we can instead face Him with confidence because we live like Jesus here in this world, and we have His righteousness imputed upon us.

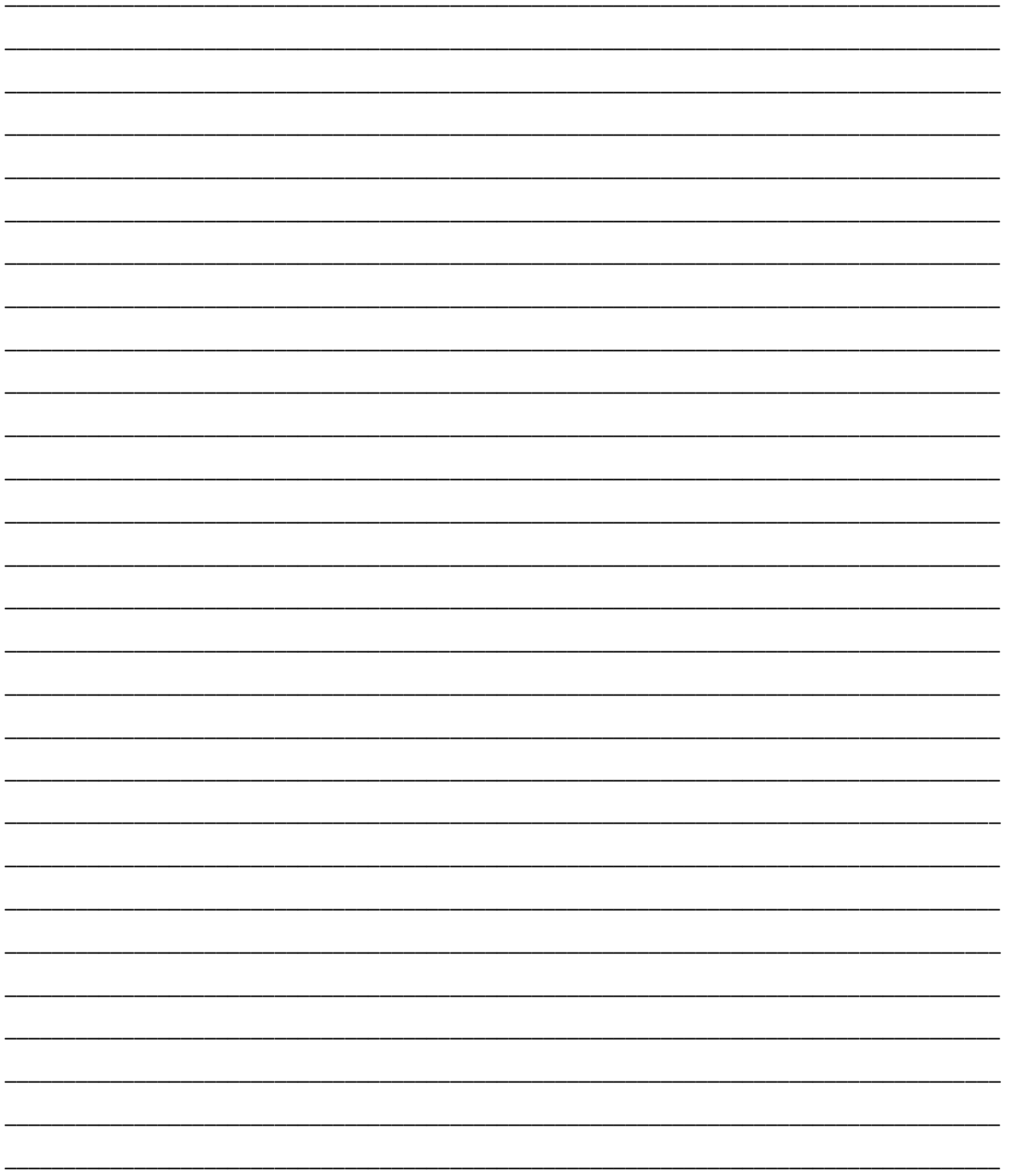
We need to prioritize pleasing God instead of pleasing ourselves.

Let the Lord Jesus Christ be as near to you as the clothes you wear.

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