

# *it's personal*

## INTRODUCTION

We all have the ability to influence others. Yet we are all being influenced by those around us as well. In our world right now, almost everything is unclear. There are sides to be taken, conversations that turn heated quickly, and relationships being broken at every turn. What responsibility do we have as Christians? How can we leverage our influence for the right things? And how do we continue to live in the world, but not be of the world?

## DISCUSSION TOPICS

We are going to take a look at Romans chapter 12. Remember, this letter was written by the Apostle Paul, to the church in Rome.

### **Read Romans 12:9-13**

1. Talk about a time when a simple conversation turned into a heated argument, seemingly out of no where. How was the relationship impacted? What did it feel like the next time you saw that person?

### **Read Romans 12:14-18**

2. Does reading that verse have an effect on how you would respond to a heated argument with someone else? Would it change your approach?

### **Read Romans 12:19-21**

3. How should we balance maintaining influence with the world, and proclaiming God's truth to the world?
4. What are the things you do to turn down the noise of our world, culture, etc, so you can hear God's voice, guidance, and direction?

This is part of us being **Going, Growing** people in our communities. Sharing God's truth in love.