

“THE FINAL WORD” (PART 4)

A four-part series in the book of Romans

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-Unifying through Love & Forgiveness

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ROMANS 12:17-21 (NIV)

17“Do not repay anyone evil for evil. Be careful to do what is right in the eyes of everyone. 18If it is possible, as far as it depends on you, live at peace with everyone. 19Do not take revenge, my dear friends, but leave room for God’s wrath, for it is written: “It is mine to avenge; I will repay,” (Deut. 32) says the Lord. 20On 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.” (Prov. 25) 21Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good.”

-JESUS HAS THE FINAL WORD

ROMANS 13:8-10 (NIV)

8“Let no debt remain outstanding, except the continuing debt to love one another, for whoever loves others has fulfilled the law. 9The commandments, “You shall not commit adultery,” “You shall not murder,” “You shall not steal,” “You shall not covet,” (Ex. 20) and whatever other command there may be, are summed up in this one command: “Love your neighbor as yourself.” (Lev. 19) 10Love does no harm to a neighbor. Therefore love is the fulfillment of the law.”

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-Healing Ethnic Division

ROMANS 14:10-13; 17 (NIV)

10“You, then, why do you judge your brother or sister? (“Adelphos” meaning “believer” as a part of God’s family) Or why do you treat them with contempt? For we will all stand before God’s judgment seat. 11It is written: “ ‘As surely as I live,’ says the Lord, ‘every knee will bow before me; every tongue will acknowledge God.’ “ (Isa. 45)

12So then, each of us will give an account of ourselves to God. 13Therefore let us stop passing judgment on one another. Instead, make up your mind not to put any stumbling block or obstacle in the way of a brother or sister.”

17“For the kingdom of God is not a matter of eating and drinking, but of righteousness, peace and joy in the Holy Spirit,”

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“In Essentials Unity, In Non-Essentials Liberty, In All Things Charity”

ROMANS 15:5-7 (NIV)

5“May the God who gives endurance and encouragement give you the same attitude of mind toward each other that Christ Jesus had, 6so that with one mind and one voice you may glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. 7Accept one another, then, just as Christ accepted you, in order to bring praise to God.”

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