

Going Further
For the week of June 18, 2023
Questions and Scriptures for further study

1. Read Romans 12:9-16. How does Paul tell us to express love in these verses? In addition to making positive statements, he also tells us what not to do. What do you learn from each of these negatives along with the positive statements?

2. How would this kind of love impact and transform your relationships?

3. Read Romans 12:17-21. As you look at what Paul says about relationships with enemies, how do you see this helping you overcome the challenges these relationships bring? (Note: Paul is not saying here that we are to go soft on evil, that evil isn't real, doesn't matter or doesn't hurt people. The opposite is true. What he is teaching is that the way God wants us to address evil in our world is different than what we would normally think.)

4. You may not have people who you think of as enemies in your life. However, we all have people who are difficult, who have values, beliefs and lifestyles that are different from our own. Bring to mind one of the difficult people in your life. Read through Romans 12:9-21 and pray for God to show you ways that you can interact with this person that could lead you to live at peace with them.

Family Devo: Read through Romans 12:9-21. Then use question #4 from above and help your kid(s) think through ways they can act toward any difficult people in their life that could lead them to being able to live at peace more with that person.