

# LG | Guide

[Romans 12:9-21 – Self Guided]

## WARM-UP (10 mins)

**Prepare your mind to receive God's word. Take a moment to be silent. Pray for your mind to receive God's Word.**

## ILLUMINATE (40 mins)

**Open your Bibles to the primary text.**

1. Read chapter 12:9-21. Paul speaks of loving others in this passage. What is the one of the criteria for this pure love that Paul speaks of? Where in the Bible can we read about what love is and is not?
2. Why do you think Paul includes hospitality in these "Marks of a True Christian?"
3. Our culture has a fascination with evil and dark imagery. What does this passage have to say about evil? What are some examples of how we can become participants in evil?
4. How would you summarize verses 14-21? Generally, how are we to treat others? Does Paul think that you should be at peace with everyone?
5. How does Philippians 2:1-11 instruct us on how to treat others? What does it practically look like to count others more significant than ourselves?
6. In Philippians 4, Paul speaks about the relationship between Euodia and Syntyche. What do we know about them and how does Paul instruct them? How does Paul apply what he says in Philippians 2:1-11 to this situation?
7. Considering others takes making a daily pursuit. What other passages in Scripture come to mind concerning our how we strive toward this "others-focused" mindset? How does the Holy Spirit help us in this effort?
8. Does your life align with these marks of a true Christian? The Bible says that it pierces; what verses cut you the deepest when reading this passage?

## PRAY

**Use this time to pray specifically. Pray for the needs of others; locally and abroad.**