

Why and How to Lay Down your Life for Others
Romans 15:1-6
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How does embracing Gospel grace change us?

How to lay down your life? Bear with the Weak v 1

How? Like your mother bore with you.

“Bear with” does not mean to grudgingly tolerate, but shoulder their burden.

We should help our weaker brethren instead of pleasing ourselves.

Speak so as to build up your brothers and sisters. Bear with the weak.

How to lay down your life? Edify the Brethren v 2

You don't help God by pleasing people, you please God by helping people.

Our basic life orientation is built on God first and then helping others.

Nobility obligates - What is a true political statesman?

If you have clearly seen the light of God in the face of Christ, enlighten your brethren.

Why lay down your life? Christ, Our Example v 3

Why should I lay down your life? What motivates this massive change in human nature?

Christ did not please himself. (Philippians 2:5-8; Mark 10:42-45)

Live out this gospel love before others. (2 Corinthians 5:14-15)

Why Paul quotes from Psalm 69.

How to Lay Down your Life?

Doormats for Jesus!! You may walk all over us for Jesus' sake.

We serve God by nurturing others.

Through the perseverance and encouragement of the Scriptures, we may have hope.

The Bible will tear you up.

The Bible will heal you.

The Bible gives hope.

When? In what situations?

Our hope is not tied to the circumstances,

God's Purpose in Sanctifying you

1) That you may share one mind

2) That you may worship with one voice