

## WARUMI 12:9-21

***Usijifanye kupenda wengine.  
Wawapende kabisa.***

Chukia kilicho sahihi. Kushikilia kwa bidii kwa mema. Wapendane kwa upendo wa kweli, na furahini kwa kuheshimiana. Kamwe kuwa wavivu, lakini fanya kazi kwa bidii na kumtumikia Bwana kwa bidii. Furahia katika matumaini yetu ya uhakika. Uwe na uvumilivu katika taabu, na uendeleo kuomba.

Wakati watu wa Mungu wanahitaji, kuwa tayari kuwasaidia. Daima kuwa na shauku ya kuhudhuria ukarimu. Bariki wale wanaokutesa. Usiwalaani; kuomba Mungu atawabariki. Kuwa na furaha na wale wanaofurahi, na kulia na wale wanaolia. Uishi kulingana na kila mmoja. Usijivunia kujifurahia kampuni ya watu wa kawaida. Na usifikiri unajua yote. Usirudie tena uovu kwa uovu zaidi. Kufanya mambo kwa namna ambayo kila mtu anaweza kukuona ni heshima. Fanya yote unayoweza kuishi kwa amani na kila mtu.

Wapendwa marafiki, kamwe msipize kisasi. Acha hiyo kwa hasira ya Mungu ya haki. Maana Maandiko yanasema, "Nitawalipiza kisasi; Nitawalipa, "asema BWANA.

Badala yake, "Ikiwa maadui wako wana njaa, wanyeni. Ikiwa wana kiu, wapeni kitu cha kunywa. Kwa kufanya hivyo, utawasha moto makaa ya moto juu ya vichwa vyao. "

***Usimruhusu uovu kukushinde,  
lakini kushinda uovu kwa kufanya mema.***

*Katika mizizi ya maisha ya Kikristo ni msingi wa upendo wa Mungu, umeonyeshwa kimwili katika Yesu Kristo. Katika mwanzo wa maagizo ya Paulo kwa ajili ya kuishi kwa Kikristo ni Yesu yanayoonekana sana. Wakristo wanapenda kwa njia halisi kwa sababu Yesu anapenda kwa njia halisi (E. Verbosky, 2017).*

**Wiki ijayo:** Warumi 13:8-14

## ROMANS 12:9-21

***Don't just pretend to love others.  
Really love them.***

Hate what is wrong. Hold tightly to what is good. Love each other with genuine affection, and take delight in honoring each other. Never be lazy, but work hard and serve the Lord enthusiastically. Rejoice in our confident hope. Be patient in trouble, and keep on praying.

When God's people are in need, be ready to help them. Always be eager to practice hospitality. Bless those who persecute you. Don't curse them; pray God will bless them. Be happy with those who are happy, and weep with those who weep. Live in harmony with each other. Don't be too proud to enjoy the company of ordinary people. And don't think you know it all. Never pay back evil with more evil. Do things in such a way that everyone can see you are honorable. Do all you can to live in peace with everyone.

Dear friends, never take revenge. Leave that to the righteous anger of God. For the Scriptures say, "I will take revenge; I will pay them back," says the LORD.

Instead, "If your enemies are hungry, feed them. If they are thirsty, give them something to drink. In doing this, you will heap burning coals of fire on their heads."

***Don't let evil conquer you,  
but conquer evil by doing good.***

*At the root of Christian living is a foundation of God's love, demonstrated physically in Jesus Christ. At the starting point of Paul's instructions for Christian living is the very tangible Jesus. Christians love in real ways because Jesus loves in real ways (E. Verbosky, 2017).*

**Next week:** Romans 13:8-14

**Septemba 3, 2017** Ushindi, Mwenye ukarimu, Neema

Mstari wa 9 na 21 kuanzisha na kutoa muhtasari mgawo wa upendo ambao tuliopewa kutoka kwa Yesu, uliowasilishwa na Paulo. Mchanga kati ya hizo mbili, ni maagizo yanayojaa ufahamu na changamoto. Kila remark imeandikwa na mtazamo wa ajabu wa Kristo, kuonyesha upendo halisi ambao umezuia uovu katika nyimbo zake.

Kuwa na hofu na uovu-kushikamana na mema.

Upendo wa kweli. Kuwa na furaha ya kuwaheshimu wengine.

Uvivu sio kwako! Ukarimu mkali ni bora.

Uombe Mungu awabariki wale wanaokusababishia.

Shiriki katika furaha ya watu na huzuni kubwa.

Tafuta njia za kufurahia na kuishi kwa usawa na kila mmoja.

Tumia wakati unaofaa pamoja na wale ambao wamepuuzwa.

Usifikiri sana juu yako mwenyewe. Tumevunjika wote.

Matendo mabaya kamwe husema mabaya. Mpango wa kuwa na heshima.

Jiweke mwenyewe na ujitahidi kuishi kwa amani na wengine.

Tumaini Mungu kwa kushughulikia watu na kutatua matendo yao.

Kupiza kisasi kunaendelea uovu hai & kuenea-sio kwetu.

Chakula wale wanaokupinga. Wapeni kile wanachohitaji.

Kuwa kama Yesu na watu na watakuwa na msukumo na msukumo wa kutubu, kupokea msamaha, na kupokea neema ya Mungu-kama unavyo.

**September 3, 2017** Triumphant, Generous, Grace

Verse 9 & 21 introduce and summarize the loving assignment entrusted to us from Jesus, presented by Paul. Sandwiched between those two, are instructions filled with insight and challenge. Every remark is framed by the staggering view of Christ, demonstrating authentic love that stopped evil in its tracks.

Be horrified by evil—be glued to what is good.

Love authentically. Be delighted to honor others.

Laziness is not for you! Ardent generosity is the best.

Ask God to bless those causing you trouble.

Share in people's joys and great sorrows.

Find ways to enjoy and live harmoniously with each other.

Spend companionable time with those who are neglected.

Never think too much of yourself. We're all broken.

Evil actions never unseat evil. Plan to be honorable.

Control yourself & endeavor to live peacefully with others.

Trust God to handle people and resolve their actions.

Revenge keeps evil alive & spreading—it's not for us.

Feed those who oppose you. Give them what they need.

Behave like Jesus with people and they will have added motivation and incentive to repent, receive forgiveness, and receive God's grace—as you have.