

		sermon notes
<p align="center"> "RENEW YOUR MIND" January 15, 2023 Pastor Todd Schlechty CHRISTCHURCHVA.ORG/SERMONS </p>		

"Love is the only force capable of transforming an enemy into friend."

— Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

I Corinthians 13:13 *But now faith, hope, love, abide these three; but the greatest of these is love.* (NASB)

Mark 12:29–30 *Jesus answered, "The foremost is, 'HEAR, O ISRAEL! THE LORD OUR GOD IS ONE LORD;'³⁰ AND YOU SHALL LOVE THE LORD YOUR GOD WITH ALL YOUR HEART, AND WITH ALL YOUR SOUL, AND WITH ALL YOUR MIND, AND WITH ALL YOUR STRENGTH.'..."* (NASB)

Romans 12:1–9 *Therefore I urge you, brethren, by the mercies of God, to present your bodies a living and holy sacrifice, acceptable to God, which is your spiritual service of worship.² And do not be conformed to this world, but be transformed by the renewing of your mind, so that you may prove what the will of God is, that which is good and acceptable and perfect.³ For through the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think more highly of himself than he ought to think; but to think so as to have sound judgment, as God has allotted to each a measure of faith.⁴ For just as we have many members in one body and all the members do not have the same function,⁵ so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually members one of another.⁶ Since we have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us, each of us is to exercise them accordingly: if prophecy, according to the proportion of his faith;⁷ if service, in his serving; or he who teaches, in his teaching;⁸ or he who exhorts, in his exhortation; he who gives, with liberality; he who leads, with diligence; he who shows mercy, with cheerfulness.⁹ Let love be without hypocrisy. Abhor what is evil; cling to what is good.* (NASB)

What does loving God with all our mind look like?

The Attributes of the Renewed Mind:

I. **The Renewed Mind is** _____.

Romans 12:3 *For through the grace given to me I say to everyone among you not to think more highly of himself than he ought to think; but to think so as to have sound judgment, as God has allotted to each a measure of faith.*

II. **The Renewed Mind is** _____.

Romans 12:4–5 *For just as we have many members in one body and all the members do not have the same function,⁵ so we, who are many, are one body in Christ, and individually members one of another.*

III. **The Renewed Mind** _____.

Romans 12:6–8 *Since we have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us, each of us is to exercise them accordingly: if prophecy, according to the proportion of his faith;⁷ if service, in his serving; or he who teaches, in his teaching;⁸ or he who exhorts, in his exhortation; he who gives, with liberality; he who leads, with diligence; he who shows mercy, with cheerfulness.*

Point: _____.

IV. The Renewed Mind is _____.

Romans 12:9 *Let love be without hypocrisy. Abhor what is evil; cling to what is good.*

“Darkness cannot drive out darkness; only light can do that. Hate cannot drive out hate; only love can do that.”

— Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.



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Something to take home and chew on!

- 1. What would it feel like for you to have the humility of the mind of Christ?** In what areas of life do you think more highly of yourself than you ought? How could you receive a mind of sober judgment? What would change in your life if you had a humble mind?
- 2. What would it look like or feel like for you to see yourself as a member of the body, rather than a solo act with Christ?** How would you think differently (and live differently) if you had the mind of a member rather than an individual consumer?
- 3. When have you served in a ministry that felt completely within your Spiritual giftedness?** How did serving in this ministry make you feel? What fruit did you see from this service?
- 4. Who have you known that demonstrated the sincere love of Christ in their lives?** What influence did they have on your life? What makes sincere love so powerful?
- 5. What attribute of a mind that loves do you want the Holy Spirit to change in you?**

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ANSWER KEY:

I. HUMBLE

II. PART OF SOMETHING

III. SERVES

IV. SINCERE

Point: YOU CAN'T LOVE GOD WITHOUT A RENEWED MIND.