A.L.I.V.E. Bible Study
Date: September 29, 2021
Romans 12:3-21

1.   What command does Paul give to the church in verse 3?_____
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2.   In what ways do we think of ourselves more highly than we ought?
     a.   We don't. In fact, we're not even tempted to because we are so spiritual!
     b.   We value our gifts above the gifts of others.
     c.   We look down on others because we have greater faith or greater commitment than they do.

3.   What does it mean to think of yourself with sober judgment?_____
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4.   What does Paul say, according to verses 3-8, to do with the gifts God has given us?
     a.   Feel proud that he gave us this gift and not another.
     b.   Recognize that God has purposely given us each different gifts.
     c.   Use the gifts that he has given us to their full extent that we are able to build others up.

5.   Do you think that it is coincidence that Paul goes directly from instructions on humility to
     instructions on how to show love starting in verse 9? Yes_____ No_____ Explain. _____
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6.   Describe what each of these instructions means (some are pretty straightforward). How could
     you do a better job of following each of these instructions?
     a.   Hate what is evil; cling to what is good _____
     b.   Be devoted to one another in love _____
     c.   Honor one another above yourselves _____
     d.   Never be lacking in zeal, but keep your spiritual fervor, serving the Lord _____
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     e.   Share with the Lord's people who are in need _____
     f.   Practice hospitality _____
     g.   Bless those who persecute you (and do not curse)_____
     h.   Rejoice with those who rejoice; mourn with those who mourn_____
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     i.   Live in harmony with one another _____
     j.   Do not be proud, but be willing to associate with people of low position _____
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     k.   Do not be conceited _____
     l.   Do not repay anyone evil for evil_____
     m.   Be careful to do what is right in the eyes of everyone _____
     n.   If it is possible, as far as it depends on you, live at peace with everyone _____
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     o.   Do not take revenge _____
     p.   Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good _____
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7.   Will you be able to accomplish any of these without God's transforming "sincere" love in your
     heart?_____