

## Lesson 43 "Terms of engagement"

Romans 12: 14-21

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Read James 1:9-10. How does this line up with the directives that Paul gives in Romans 12:14-21?

Read James 4:6-7. How does *this* line up with the directives Paul gives in Romans 12:14-21?

Read Proverbs 3:27. How does *this* line up with the directives Paul gives in Romans 12:14-21?

Read 1 Peter 3:8-9. How does *this* line up with the directives that Paul gives in Romans 12:14-21?

Read 1 Thessalonians 5:15. How does *this* line up with the directives that Paul gives in Romans 12:14-21?

Read 2 Timothy 2:24-26. How does *this* line up with the directives Paul gives in Romans 12:14-21?

Read Titus 2:7-8. How does *this* line up with the directives Paul gives in Romans 12:14-21?

Read 1 Corinthians 4:11-13. How does Paul describe his reaction to being reviled?

To persecution?

To slander?

How does this line up with the directives Paul gives in Romans 12:14-21?

Read Matthew 5:43-48. What is the standard that Jesus sets here? How is this different from the message we get from our world and culture? How does *this* line up with the directives Paul gives in Romans 12:14-21?

As you spend time with God today, consider how all of these things line up all throughout Scripture. Consider how different the teachings of God are to the teachings of the world. Ask Him to help you not to be overcome by evil, but to overcome evil with good. Ask Him to help you to see where you are trying to be the melody, and repent of that. Ask Him to help you to joyfully accept your harmonious role in the body of Christ for HIS glory always.