

CHRISTIANS ARE MEASURED BY FAITHFULNESS.

Rom 12:3-5

9/21/25

I. RIGHT THINKING ABOUT YOURSELF. 3

A. Paul's Personal Address. 3a

1. Paul's Personal Address Is Connected to Vv. 1-2.
2. Paul's Personal Address Is to all the Believers in the Church of Rome.

B. The Believer Needs To Be Careful How They Think About Themselves. 3b,c

1. How Believers Are Not to Thinking About Themselves. 3b
2. How Believers Are To Think About Themselves — With Sound Reasoning ("but To Think Soberly"). 3c

C. The Believer Is To Think in Terms of Faithfulness. 3d

Different Views:

1. View #1 — God Has Given Each Believer a Certain Measured Amount of Faith To Serve Him.
2. View #2 — God Has Given to Each Believers the Faith Necessary To Employ Their Spiritual Gifts.
3. View #3 — God Has Given to Each Believer the Faith Necessary for a Response to the Gospel.
4. View #4 — God Has Given to Every Believer the Measurement of the Faith, Namely the Body of Christian Truth.
5. View #5 — God Has Given to Every Believer the Measurement of Faith; God Has Given to Every Believer the Means or the Stand by Which To Measure Themselves, Namely Faith.
6. Views #6 — God Has Given to Every Believer the Same Thing by Which to Measurement Themselves, Namely Faithfulness (Their Faithfulness in Obedience to God). **[CORRECT VIEW]**

II. RIGHT THINKING ABOUT OTHER BELIEVERS. 4-16

A. The Analogy of the Body. 4-5

1. Believers as Individuals Are Part of a Single Body — Many Are One — Unity. 4a
2. Believers, While Part of a Single Body, Do Not all Function in the Same Way — Individuality. 4b
3. Believers Are a Single Entity in Christ. 5a
4. Believers as Individuals Are Connected to One Another. 5b

B. In the Area of Spiritual Gifts. 6-8

1. The Nature of the Gifts. 6a,b

- a) These Gifts Are SPIRITUAL.
- b) These Are GRACE Gifts. 6a
- c) These Are DIFFERENT Gifts. 6b

2. The Enumeration of the Gifts. 6c-8d

- a) The Gift of Prophecy Is To Be Exercised in Accordance/Agreement With the Faith. 6c
- b) The Gift of Ministry (Service) Is To Be Faithfully Used in Ministering. 7a
- c) The Gift of Teaching Used Faithfully in Teaching. 7b
- d) The Gift of Exhortation Is To Be Used Faithfully in Exhortation. 8a
- e) The Gift of Giving Is To Be Used Faithfully in Liberality. 8b
- f) The Gift of Leading Is To Be Used Faithfully in Diligence. 8c
- g) The Gift of Mercy Is To Be Used Faithfully in Cheerfulness. 8d