

“Hopefully Devoted to You”

*Devotion as Seen in
Romans*



Church

Ephesians 5; Colossians 1, Revelation:

The Church as Bride; Christ as Bridegroom & Head

Key word is sacrifice!

What does Bridegroom give to Bride?

1. His highest priority;
Matt. 28:18- 20;
Matt. 16:18
2. His greatest commitment;
John 10:15, 17
John 15:13
3. His deepest loyalty;
John 13:1
Hebrews 13:5
4. His complete devotion.
Ephesians 5:25-27
Philippians 1:6

“Be counter-culture!”

Romans 12:

1. God 12:1
2. Self 12:3
3. Others 12:4-21

Devotion & Church

World

“we do”

“building”

“organization”

God

“we are”

“people”

“organism”

Romans as Devotion

Romans 1-11
(315 verses)

God's devotion to me

Romans 12:1
(71 verses)

My devotion to God

Romans 12:2-
16:27

My devotion to others
(inside/outside church)

Scriptures of Devotion

Romans 12:10-11

1 Corinthians 16:15

2 Corinthians 11:3

Acts 6:4

Colossians 4:2; Romans 12:12

1 Kings 8:61

Matthew 6:24

Devotion Defined

= “single-hearted, unmixed attachment, an undivided completeness”

Jesus said, “You can be supremely devoted to only one thing.”

1 Corinthians 16:15 (Stephanas)

“devoted” = “addiction”

1. Strong habit; overpowering desire
2. Growing tolerance; need more & more
3. Dependence; must have to function