



## Romans 12:3-8

Making My Corporate Contribution | Sept. 21<sup>st</sup> - 27<sup>th</sup>, 2014

**Warm-up:** If you haven't gone through the Life Group Covenant with your group, take some time to review that tonight! Specifically, spend some time discussing expectations, desires and dreams about the coming year. What will this group be all about?

- Read **Romans 12:1-8** aloud in a couple of different translations. Generally speaking, what are these verses about? What personally speaks loudest to you in these verses?
- On Sunday, George shared that *"The only people on earth who are committed to daily transformation are those who are living sacrifices."* (See Rom. 12:1-2)
  - What does it look like to "offer our bodies as a living sacrifice" and why - in Christ - is this *essential* if we are to experience transformation?
- Paul will soon talk about spiritual gifts, but before he does he wants us to understand the necessity of humility (v.3) as the foundation to the discussion about gifts. Why do you think this is the case?
  - How much different would the church at large be if pride were *not* an issue? What kinds of works would emerge from the church?
- Within the body of Christ there is to be unity, but never uniformity. What is the difference?
  - Each person within the body of Christ is gifted (not to compete or compare), but gifted and called to contribute to the advance of the gospel.
  - What are some of the most compelling examples of unity within the body of Christ that you have been exposed to? Why?
- In v.6-8, Paul talks about gifts of the Spirit. Though not exhaustive, discuss each of these. How do you see them being operative in each other's lives.

**Wrap-up:** The life of the body of Christ is a **contributing** life. We are greatly mistaken when we are not **contributing** to the advance of the gospel with our time, talent, and treasure. Close by praying for renewed hearts to serve and grow in your involvement with Christ's body in the coming year.