

1. Share a time when someone went out of their way to encourage or support you. How did their actions impact you?

2. Read **Romans 15:1-3**.

- Why do you think it's often easier to focus on pleasing ourselves rather than bearing with the failings of others? How does Jesus' example of not living to please Himself challenge the way we approach relationships?

Read **Romans 15:4**.

- What role does the Bible play in your life when you're going through a tough season? Can you think of a specific verse that has encouraged you?

- Why do you think Paul emphasizes that the Scriptures give us endurance and encouragement?

Read **Romans 15:5-6**.

- Paul prays for unity among believers. What are some things that cause division in relationships or in the church today? What would it look like for our small group to live with one mind and one voice, glorifying God together?

Read **Romans 15:7-9**.

- What does it mean to accept one another as Christ accepted you? What does that look like in everyday life?
- Who is someone in your life that you find difficult to accept? What steps could you take to reflect Christ's acceptance toward them?

Read **Romans 15:10-13**.

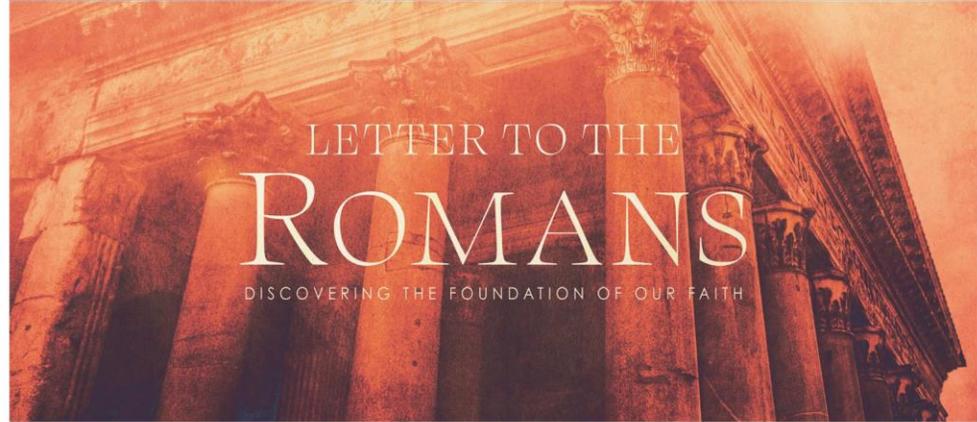
- Paul talks about hope being available to everyone, Jews, and Gentiles alike. How does knowing that God's grace is for everyone change the way you interact with others?

- In what areas of your life do you need a renewed sense of hope right now? How can we as a group pray for you in that?

3. This week, what's one practical way you can put someone else's needs ahead of your own, following Christ's example of serving others?

4. How can we as a small group create a culture of encouragement, unity, and acceptance, both within our group and in our wider church community?

5. Who in your life needs to experience the hope of Christ, and how can you be intentional about sharing that hope with them?



**NEW TO NORTHAMPTON?**

We're glad you're here! Take a moment to fill-out a **Connection Card** and let us know more about you. If you have children or teens, we have great, safe options for Children's & Student Ministry! Complete info can be found at: [www.NBchurchCF.org](http://www.NBchurchCF.org)!

**MESSAGE SERIES**

**TODAY'S MESSAGE:**  
ROMANS 15:1-13

**NEXT SUNDAY:**  
ROMANS 15:14-33

**WORSHIP ORDER**

FREEDOM

WELCOME

GREETING

ONLY JESUS

SCANDAL OF GRACE

OFFERING

HOW GREAT THOU ART

MESSAGE

HOW HE LOVES

SEND OFF AND PRAYER

**CLASSES & LIFE GROUPS**

**SUNDAYS**

**Young Adults Class**  
Room 203

**The Gospel According to John Study**  
Room 201 | 9:15am

**WEDNESDAYS - 6pm**  
NBStudents (Grades 6-12)  
Kidstown (Age 4-5<sup>th</sup> Grade)  
(NO Kidstown the last Wednesday of the month)

**WEDNESDAYS**

**6:30 pm**  
Ladies Bible Study

**THURSDAYS**  
**7:00PM**  
Men's Bible Study

**VARIOUS DAYS**  
**LIFE Groups**  
**Real-Life Discipleship**

**NEXT STEPS**

**STARTING POINT LUNCH**  
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 10

**BAPTISM AND PARTNERSHIP**  
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 1

**GET CONNECTED**

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# UPCOMING AT NORTHAMPTON

## WELCOME!

We're glad you have decided to join us online or in-person! We want you to know that you are welcome here! Please take the time to fill out our online Connection Card and down-load the Church Center App to stay connected! Thanks for joining in!

## CHURCH CENTER APP

Interested in joining a team, a LIFE Group or signing up for an event? Download the **Church Center App** (from your app store), choose **Northampton** as your church, and you are all set!

## SUNDAY MORNING PRAYER – 8:30

If you would like to take part in praying for Sunday mornings and each other, join us in the Café.

## PRAYER CHAIN

If you are interested in joining Northampton's prayer chain, please contact **Marcia Peters at [care@nbchurchcf.org](mailto:care@nbchurchcf.org)**

## CARE MINISTRY

If you, or someone you know, has a need for prayer, meals, visitation, or other assistance, please fill out a request card located at the back of the church and drop it in the collection basket or email your request to [help@nbchurchcf.org](mailto:help@nbchurchcf.org).

### **The Care Team needs your help.**

We need volunteers to occasionally fill empty slots on the Take Them a Meal program. Please contact Deb McGuinness, Meal Coordinator with your contact info at [dmcg309@gmail.com](mailto:dmcg309@gmail.com)

## TAKE THEM A MEAL

Meals are needed every Wednesday (October through December) for Devi Wintrode and her two foster children. Sign up in the app. Name is Wintrode. Password is Wintrode.

## FALL FEST – TODAY! 4:00-6:00PM

**If you are being a “trunker”,** please provide 300 pieces of candy and arrive no later than 3:30pm to be in your parking spot.

**CHILDREN'S MINISTRIES IS IN NEED OF \$5 GIFT CARDS** to McDonalds, Handels or Dairy Queen.

## OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD

We are collecting donations for the **Packing Party** scheduled for **November 3** following the Morning Service. **Items needed:** Toothbrushes, Washcloths, Pens, Markers, Pencils, Books, Notepads, and/or Coloring Books, Small toys, Yo-Yos, Musical Toys (harmonicas, flutes, Bells). **A donation box is in the foyer.**

## WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY

First Saturday of each month from 9am-10am in the Café. The study is based off the “52 Weeks in the Word.”

## NBSTUDENTS RAKE-N-RUN

NBStudents will be coming together this fall to serve their community by raking yards of those who need help. Sign up a family member or neighbor on the sheet in the lobby by **November 3**.

## STARTING POINT

If you are new to Northampton, please plan to attend our next lunch on **Sunday, November 10, 12:30pm** to learn more about who we are, what we do and why we do it! Please sign up in the app or at [nbchurchcf.org](http://nbchurchcf.org). Deadline to do so is **November 3!**

## BAPTISM / PARTNERSHIP

**Sunday, December 1**  
If you are interested in Baptism and/or Partnership at Northampton, please sign-up in the Church Center App.

# MESSAGE NOTES

Pastor Joe Pryor

*Passage: Romans 15:1-13*

**When we come together as Christ followers with one voice, we can experience the hope and encouragement that God intends for us.**

**Being Christ followers who choose to live in unity, despite our differences means:**

1. \_\_\_\_\_ with others [vv1-2]
2. Following \_\_\_\_\_ example [vv 3-4]
3. Choosing \_\_\_\_\_ for God's glory [vv 5-6]
4. \_\_\_\_\_ one another [vv7-9]
5. Reflecting \_\_\_\_\_ for all people [vv10-13]