

**SCC Small Group Study – April 2, 2023**  
**Dr. Scott Koenigsaecker**  
**HOLDING ON TO HOPE**  
**Romans 12:9-21**

**Getting Started:**

In what ways are you still recovering from relational wounds of the past?

How do some of Pastor Scott's message points about forgiveness and releasing bitterness help you?

**Searching the Scriptures:**

**Read Romans 12:9-21**

A. How would you describe sincere love?

B. How can these positive commands transform our relationships?

C. How would you go about blessing someone who persecuted you? What would you honestly say to them?

D. What does it mean to leave room for God's wrath? What happens?

E. What does it mean to heap burning coals on someone's head (verse 20)?

F. Romans 8:28 says that God work's out his purposes in our lives. How have you observed that to be true in one of your difficult relationships?

**Application of Scripture:**

A. Have you ever blessed an enemy or persecutor? What did you do or say?

B. How is Christ helping you to love a difficult person right now?

C. Where do you need patience in this season of life?