

THE STRONG BELIEVER AND THE WEAK BELIEVER *Romans 14:1-23* PART 2

- 1. RECEIVE THE WEAK BROTHER (V. 1-2)**
- 2. DO NOT DESPISE AND JUDGE OTHERS (V. 3-4)**
- 3. BE FULLY PERSUADED OF RIGHT AND WRONG BEHAVIOR (V. 5-6)**
- 4. WATCH OUT - WATCH WHAT YOU DO (V. 7-9)**
- 5. LEAVE THE JUDGEMENT UP TO GOD (V. 10-12)**
 - a.) Because every one of us shall be judged by Christ (v. 10)
 - b.) Because every knee shall bow and confess: Christ alone is God (v. 11) (Philippians 2:9-11; Revelation 15:4; Isaiah 45:22-23)
 - c.) Because everyone shall give an account of himself to God (v. 12) (Matthew 25:32; John 5:22; Acts 10:42, 17:31; Romans 2:16; 1 Corinthians 4:5; 2 Timothy 4:1)
- 6. JUDGE ONLY ONE THING: STUMBLING BLOCKS (V. 13-15)**
 - a.) Watch for the things our brothers think are unclean (v. 14) (Romans 14:13, 15; 1 Corinthians 8:9; Galatians 5:9; 1 John 2:10)
 - b.) Walk in love toward our brother (v. 15) (1 Corinthians 8:13, 10:24; Romans 13:10; Romans 15:1-2; Galatians 5:14; James 2:8)
 - c.) Keep in mind that Christ died for our brother (v. 15) (1 Corinthians 8:11; 2 Corinthians 5:15; Colossians 1:21-22)
- 7. GIVE NO OCCASION FOR CRITICISM (V. 16-18)**
 - a.) Because the kingdom of God is the believers concern, not pleasure (v. 16-17)
 - b.) Because serving Christ pleases God and men (v. 18) (Matthew 7:21, 6; John 14:21; Titus 1:16; 2 Corinthians 10:18; 1 Timothy 4:12; Proverbs 22:1; Ecclesiastes 7:1)
- 8. PURSUE THINGS THAT BRING PEACE AND EDIFICATION (V. 19) (Romans 12:18; Hebrews 12:14; Romans 15:2; 1 Corinthians 8:1, 14:26; 2 Corinthians 12:19; Ephesians 4:29)**
- 9. DO NOT DESTROY OR RUIN THE WORK OF GOD IN ANOTHER PERSONS LIFE: IT IS SIN TO DO SO (V. 20) (Matthew 18:6; 1 Corinthians 8:13; Galatians 5:13; Philippians 2:4; 1 Peter 2:16)**
- 10. DO NOTHING TO CAUSE A BROTHER TO STUMBLE (V. 21) (Acts 20:35; Romans 14:1, 15:1; 1 Corinthians 8:9, 11, 9:22, 10:24; Philippians 2:4)**
- 11. WATCH - "WHATEVER IS NOT OF FAITH IS SIN" (V. 22-23) (Hebrews 11:6; James 4:17; Proverbs 14:21, 24:9)**

"Life must be guided by the principle of love; and when it is, we will think not so much of our right to do as we like as of our responsibilities to others."