

ROMANS – LESSON FOURTEEN

- I. MAINTAINING FELLOWSHIP WHEN BRETHREN DIFFER OVER MATTERS INDIFFERENT WITH GOD (Romans 14:1-15:7).**
- A. Receive those weak in the faith – weak not to judge those strong in the faith (v.1-6).
 - 1. Matters of eating meats or eating only herbs.
 - 2. Matters of observing certain days or not observing days.
 - 3. One must be fully convinced in own mind with practice.
 - B. Each man is subject to and will be judged by the Lord (v.7-12).
 - C. Those strong in the faith regarding meats must not put a stumbling block in front of brother’s way (v.13-23).
 - 1. Meats unclean to the one who still considers them unclean.
 - 2. Refrain from eating meats or drinking wine if the practice causes a brother to stumble.
 - D. Christ’s example in unselfishly helping the weak (15:1-7).
 - 1. Christ pleased others by looking to their interests, not his own.
 - 2. Brethren to receive one another as Christ received them.

QUESTIONS:

1. Who were the “strong” in the faith?
Who were the “weak” in the faith?
2. Does “receive” involve “fellowship”, or does “receive”, in this context, mean just “treat friendly”?
3. The matters in Romans 14 are practices that are “indifferent” to _____.
4. What did the “weak” need to know about “judging” the “strong in the faith”?
5. What did the “strong” need to know about “setting at naught” the weak in the faith?

6. What are we never to put in front of our brother's way?

7. How were the strong to avoid causing the weak brother to sin against his conscience?

8. Show how the following should help the strong in their relationship with the weak who could not conscientiously eat meats:
 - a. "love" -

 - b. "the kingdom of God" -

 - c. "follow after things which make for peace" to "edify" -

9. He that _____ is condemned if he eats.
Why?

10. What example of Christ should we apply in our relationship with our brethren?

11. How do the things written aforetime help us?