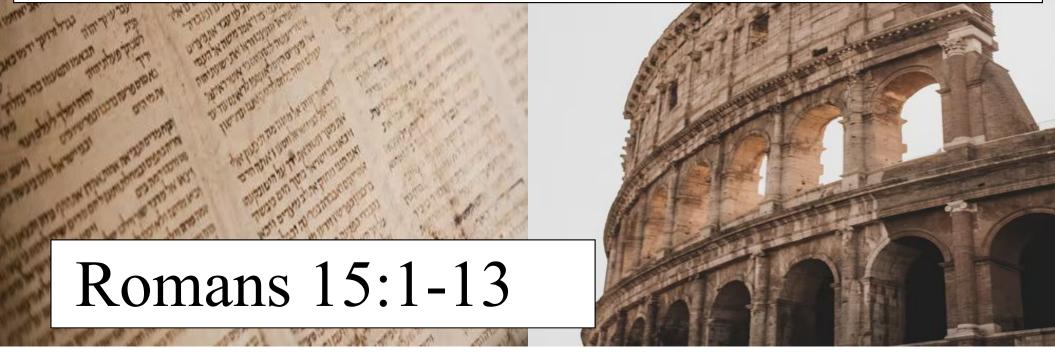


How to be Right with God



The Practical Application from our Justification:

Romans 14:1—15:13

"Living our Liberty"

In Essentials Unity, In Non-Essentials Liberty, In All Things Charity!

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First Century Issues of "Liberty"?

Modern Issues of "Liberty"?

"Open Areas"...not "Doubtful Things"

The Importance of Christian Liberty!

Christian Liberty...the Parties Involved

- The Stronger Brother
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Instructions to all:

- •Recognize and Submit to the Lordship of Christ!, 4, 7-8, 9-12.
- Don't judge your brother!, 4, 12
- Keep your priorities straight, 17-18.
- Follow your own conscience and faith, 2, 5, 22-23

Instructions to the Stronger Brother:

- Do not look down on the weaker brother,
 3.
- •Don't cause your brother to stumble, 13-15, 20-21. (Cf. 1 Cor. 8:11.)
- •Pursue peace and edification, not selfish "will," 19.
- •Be willing to give up a "right" for the sake of your brother, 1 Cor. 8:13

Instructions to the Weaker Brother:

- •Do not judge your brother, 3-4.
- Develop and abide by your own convictions,
 5, 22.
- Pursue the things which make for peace and the building up of one another, 19.

- •The principles of Living in Liberty, 1-2
 - ✓ The "strong" should bear the weaknesses of the weak, 1 Cf. Galatians 6:2
 - ✓ We should not just please ourselves, 1
 - ✓ We should please our neighbor for his good, for his edification, 2

- The example of Living in Liberty, 3-4
 - ✓ Christ did not please Himself, 3.
 - ✓ He took the reproaches of Another upon Himself, Cf. Ps. 69:9.
- The Instruction and encouragement for living in liberty, 4.

- The Enablement for Living in Liberty, 5-6
 - ✓ God gives perseverance, 5
 - ✓ God gives encouragement,
 - ✓ God will grant that you be of the same mind with one another,

so that with one accord you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, 6

- •The Command for Living in Liberty, 7-13
 - ✓ The Statement of the Command, 7.
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 - →I say...Christ became a servant to the Jews, 8
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 - →May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing...
 - →So you will abound in hope by the power of the Holy Spirit



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