

Romans

Do Not Pass Judgment on One Another (Romans 14:1-12)

Read: Do Not Pass Judgment on One Another (14:1-12)

Explain: Do Not Pass Judgment on One Another (14:1-12)

Are there any literary/structural observations?

What do the words mean?

1 As for the one who is weak [present active participle; be _____, impotent, sick, weaken] **in faith** [*pistis*; persuasion, moral conviction, reliance upon, constancy in profession, the system of religious truth, assurance, belief, believe, faith, fidelity], **welcome** [present middle imperative; take to oneself, use (food), lead (aside), _____ (to friendship or hospitality), receive, take unto] **him, but not to quarrel** [judicial estimation, discerning, disputation] **over opinions** [discussion, internal consideration, external debate, dispute, imagination, reasoning, thought]. **2 One person believes** [present active indicative] **he may eat** [second aorist active infinitive] **anything, while the weak** [present active participle] **person eats** [present active indicative] **only vegetables** [vegetables, herbs]. **3 Let not the one who eats** [present active participle] **despise** [present active imperative (Robertson); contemptible, despise, least esteemed, set at _____] **the one who abstains** [present active participle], **and let not the one who abstains** [present active participle] **pass judgment** [*krino*; present active imperative; distinguish, decide, try, condemn, punish, avenge, conclude, condemn, damn, decree, determine, esteem, judge, sue, ordain, call in question, sentence, think] **on the one who eats** [present active participle], **for God has welcomed** [second aorist middle indicative] **him**. **4 Who are** [present middle indicative] **you to pass judgment** [*krino*; present active participle] **on the servant** [fellow resident, menial domestic, household servant] **of another** [another's, not one's own, foreign, not akin, hostile, alien, strange]? **It is before his own master** [_____]; supreme in authority, controller, God, Lord, master, Sir] **that he stands** [present active indicative; to be stationary, to persevere, stand (fast)] **or falls** [present active indicative]. **And he will be upheld** [future passive (Robertson) indicative; stand, abide, appoint, bring, continue, covenant, establish, hold up, lay, present, set up, stanch], **for the Lord** [*kyrios*] **is able** [*dynateo*; present active indicative; efficient, mighty] **to make him stand** [aorist active infinitive].

5 **One person esteems** [*krino*; present active indicative] **one day as better than another, while another esteems** [*krino*; present active indicative] **all days alike. Each one should be fully convinced** [present passive (Robertson) imperative; carried out fully, completely assured, entirely accomplished, surely believed, fully known, fully persuaded, made full proof] **in his own mind** [mind, understanding]. 6 **The one who observes** [*phroneo*; present active participle; set the affection on, mind, regard, savor, think] **the day, observes it in honor of the Lord. The one who eats** [present active participle], **eats** [present active indicative] **in honor of the Lord, since he gives thanks** [*eucharisteo*; present active indicative; to be grateful, to express gratitude (towards), to say grace at a meal, give thanks] **to God, while the one who abstains** [present active participle; literally, eats not], **abstains** [present active indicative; literally, eats not] **in honor of the Lord and gives thanks** [*eucharisteo*; present active indicative] **to God. 7 For none of us lives** [present active indicative] **to himself, and none of us dies** [present active indicative] **to himself. 8 For if we live** [present active subjunctive], **we live** [present active subjunctive] **to the Lord, and if we die** [present active subjunctive], **we die** [present active indicative] **to the Lord. So then, whether we live** [present active subjunctive] **or whether we die** [present active subjunctive], **we are** [present middle indicative] **the Lord's. 9 For to this end Christ died** [second aorist active indicative] **and lived again** [aorist active indicative], **that he might be Lord** [aorist active subjunctive; rule, have dominion over, lord, be lord of, exercise lordship over] **both of the dead and of the living** [present active participle].

10 **Why do you pass judgment** [*krino*; present active indicative] **on your brother** [*adelphos*]? **Or you, why do you despise** [present active indicative; contemptible, despise, least esteemed, set at naught] **your brother** [*adelphos*]? **For we will all stand before** [future middle (Robertson) indicative; stand beside, exhibit, proffer, recommend, substantiate, be at hand, aid] **the judgment seat** [*bema*; step, foot breath, rostrum, tribunal, judgement seat, set (foot) on, throne] **of God; 11 for it is written** [perfect middle indicative], [[Isaiah 45:23b](#)]

"As I live [present active indicative], **says** [present active indicative] **the Lord, every knee shall bow** [future active indicative; bent, bowed] **to me, and every tongue** [tongues, languages] **shall confess** [to acknowledge or agree fully, confess, profess, promise] **to God."**

12 **So then each of us will give** [future active indicative] **an account** [*logos*] **of himself to God.**

Are there any repeated words?

What are some observations of the text?

Question: Which believer is better? The weak or the not weak?

David Guzik: There are many reasons why a Christian might be weak.

- They may be a _____ in Christ (babies are weak)
- They may be _____ or diseased (by legalism)
- They may be _____ (by lack of good teaching)
- They may lack _____ (needing exhortation)

Question: Which believer is weak? The strict one or the less strict one?

Apply (What is the point?)

1. We belong to the Lord
2. We will give an account to the Lord
3. The Lord will judge

Personalize (What do we do with that?)

1. Honor the _____
2. Don't despise/judge other believers' _____
3. Stay in our _____

Next week: Do Not Cause Another to Stumble (14:13-23)

Homework

Resources (our helps—order matters)

- Holy Spirit
- Bible: **Romans** (ESV)
- Church: bit.ly/FlemingSS
- Tools: bit.ly/romans2017

Our process

- Ask (the Holy Spirit for help)
- Read (**Romans**)
- Talk (about **Romans**—bit.ly/romans2017group)
- Send (feedback to jim314@yahoo.com by Wed)