



Milestone #4: What is My New Purpose?

Lesson 11 – Romans 14:1 – 15:13

Please read the scripture and watch the video first. Then use the questions below to begin your discussion of the message in your group.

Summary:

We must never judge one another regarding matters of opinion. Mature believers should not do things that would hinder those followers of Christ who are new to the journey. Selfishness and judgmental behavior have no place in the kingdom of God. Unity, love and acceptance in the body of Christ will be the light that brings others to Christ.

Definitions:

- “**stumbling block**” – anything a believer does – even something biblical permissible – that would cause another believer to sin.
- “**weak**” and “**strong**” – the level of maturity a Christian may have with regard to any particular issue or situation.

Ice Breaker Question:

- What’s someone’s idiosyncrasy that really bothers you? What strange habit do you have?

Discussion Questions:

- When Scripture is not specific on an issue, what else do you consider in shaping your decision?
- When you feel strongly about an issue, how patient are you with those who do not share your convictions?
- Is it more important to maintain unity or to protect our own individual freedoms and preferences in the body of Christ? Why?
- How can Christians handle controversial issues in a way that builds up the church? What happens if things are handled differently?