

“Accept Each Other”

Sermon Series: Better Together A Study of Christian Unity

Romans 14:1-12

8.23.26

"In essentials unity, in non-essentials liberty, and in all things charity"

Principles – specific standards in Scripture that there is no argument over, such as do not steal, lie, commit adultery, get drunk, gossip, lust, envy, or murder.

Preference -- areas the Bible does not speak about, such as body piercings, Starbucks, or playing the lottery.

Our methods may differ, but our mission is the same.

- **Accept the one whose faith is weak.**

What does it mean to “accept”?

Three practical ways to accept a weaker believer.

❖ **Drop the labels**

❖ **Quit judging**

❖ **Release control**

Six Reasons Not to Change People:

- **God accepts them (Read 14:3)**
- **It's not our job (Read 14:4)**
- **We don't know their motives (Read 14:5-6)**
- **We belong together (Read 14:7)**
- **Christ is the judge (Read 14:8-9)**
- **We are accountable for ourselves (Read 14:10-12)**