

## Sermon Series: DOING LIFE TOGETHER IN COMMUNITY

**Sermon Title:** "Your Relationships Are More Important Than Your Rights"

**Scripture:** Romans 14:14-21 (NIV)

### REVIEW

- \_\_\_\_\_ (Absolutes): Universal
- \_\_\_\_\_ (Convictions): Personal
- \_\_\_\_\_ (Preferences): Simple likes & dislikes

### INTRODUCTION

"When the preferences of the people in a church are greater than their passion for the Gospel, the Church is \_\_\_\_\_ (dying)." (Allen Gallimore)

"I refuse to sacrifice the \_\_\_\_\_ (next) \_\_\_\_\_ (generation) on the altar of my preferences." (Andy Stanley)

"It is possible for mature believers to hold different views on disputable matters and \_\_\_\_\_ (both) be in the will of God!" (Bob Utley)

"Having the \_\_\_\_\_ (right) to do something, doesn't mean you should always do it...consider how your actions affect \_\_\_\_\_ (others)." (Elmer Towns)

### HOW TO DO LIFE TOGETHER IN COMMUNITY

1. \_\_\_\_\_ (Accept) one another
2. \_\_\_\_\_ (Abandon) negative attitudes
3. \_\_\_\_\_ (Always) give the benefit of the doubt
4. \_\_\_\_\_ (Avoid) becoming a stumbling block

### CONCLUSION

Spiritual maturity says I will \_\_\_\_\_ (hold) onto my Absolutes at all cost. I'll be \_\_\_\_\_ (true) to my Personal Convictions, but when it comes to disputable matters, or Preferences, I will value my relationships over my liberties, and I will not pass \_\_\_\_\_ (judgement).