

**Living & Loving through Disagreement**  
**(Principles from 1<sup>st</sup> Century Christian Conflict)**  
**Romans 14:19; 15:1-3**  
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**Who's Right vs What's Right**

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Principle #2: We pursue peace, build up, bear with and seek the good of those with whom we disagree.

**4 reminders during the midst of a disagreement**

1. Pursue Peace
2. Build up
3. Bear with
4. Seek the good

**Romans 14:19 (13-21)**

Pursue Peace- intentionally look for ways and avenues to make and promote peace (build bridges and not walls)

**Romans 15:1 (1-7)**

Build up- intentionally do things to encourage and strengthen those who are our brothers and sisters

Bear with- endure the turbulence of disagreement with the understanding that there is a greater cause, and our duty is to show people who Jesus is

Seek Good- intentionally look past the disagreement or the offense and see the person for who they truly are. THEY are good---an image bearer

**Gen 1:26,31, 1 Cor 15:49-51, Rom 8:14-17**

**1 Cor 10:31**

It is not possible to glorify God and hurt others ... because God has created all things, there are no objects or **people** that are inherently evil, because God is not evil. This is why we don't wrestle against flesh and blood.

**The big idea:**

It is good and pleasant for us Jesus Followers to live together in unity...doesn't mean that we'll agree on everything or on every detail--- it does mean, however, that if we don't live in unity, it will be bad and unpleasant!

**That's what's up!!!**

NT/OT Testament reading Mark 3:24-25, Ps. 133:1-3