The Gospel of Paul (27) More Than Tolerance

Romans 15:1-13

Intro: The Worldly Ideal

I. Strong and Weak (v. 1-6)

II. Jew and Gentile (v. 7-13)

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- 1. Are there any ways you've seen the secular idea of "tolerance" actually create DIVISION among people? How or why?
- 2. Sinful, broken humans will always struggle to "come together" around a purely human philosophy (like tolerance). Even so, how do you perceive God's philosophy of UNITY in the Church to be more than just an ideal, but a real possibility?
- 3. How might the "Stumbling Block Principle" from last week tie into the Church being truly unified, on a practical level?
- 4. Why do you think God is Glorified when people of different backgrounds and convictions are able to be truly unified in Christ?

Conclusion: The Heavenly Ideal