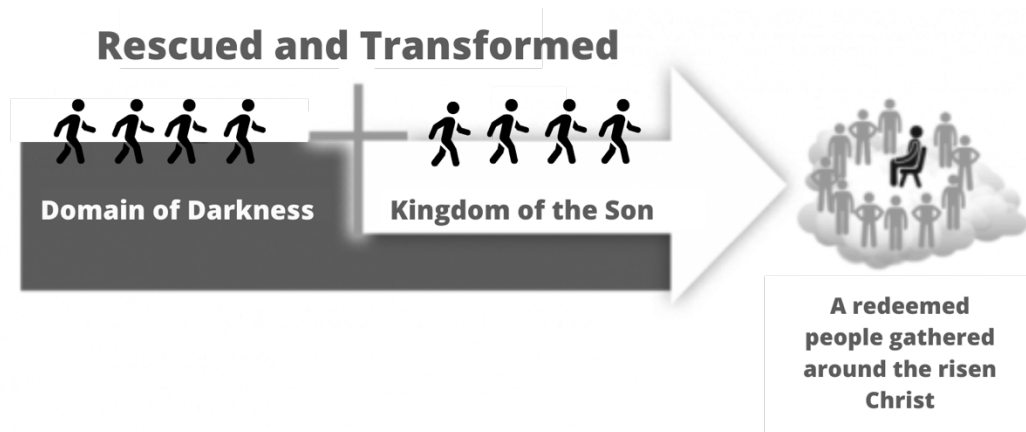


**United in the Gospel: Disputable Matters**  
**Romans 14**  
**8-30-20**



**I. Stop Judging. (Romans 14:1-4)**

Judging is to pass sentence on others as though we are God.

1. Essential matters of salvation.
2. Important matters to the Faith.
3. Preferences, opinions and matters of conscience.

**II. Honor God. (Romans 14:5-9)**

*2 Corinthians 5:15 – "He died...that those who live might no longer live for themselves but for Him who for their sake died and was raised."*

**III. Remove Obstacles. (Romans 14:13-22)**

## Faith Sheet

**Monthly Transformation Verse:** James 1:5 – “If any of you lacks wisdom, let him ask God, who gives generously to all without reproach, and it will be given him.”

**Weekly Transformation Verse:** Romans 14:19 – “So then let us pursue what makes for peace and for mutual upbuilding.”

**Weekly Reading Plan:** Romans 14; Psalm 48; 2 Corinthians 4

### Going Deeper This Week

1. Read Romans 14. What do you appreciate about God and also what hits home with you from this passage?
2. What are some disputable issues that stir debates in the church? How do these compare to the issues pointed to by Paul? How has your attitude changed over the years on disputable matters?
3. What is the main truth of verse 4 and how does this affect how we view other Christians who disagree with us?
4. What makes a person's preference acceptable to God even if it is not acceptable to others in Verse 6?
5. Read verse 9. Why did Christ die and resurrect from the dead? What does this say about us trying to lord over or control others?
6. Read 1 Peter 3:15 and Philippians 3:15. How can we address arguments about things that in eternity really don't matter? What opportunities do you have to honor the Lord?
7. What do you want changed in your life after reading Romans chapter 14? Pray for someone.