

LESSON 29: ROMANS 14:13-23

Peace and Love

1. What progression of thought is evident in the phrases which Paul uses to describe “the weak” in verses 13, 15, 20-21? What possible impact may the actions of the “strong” have on the “weak?”
2. When are perfectly acceptable practices unacceptable for the Christian (vv. 14, 20)?
3. How is the Kingdom of God defined in verse 17? As members of the Kingdom, what should our goals be?
4. What specific, practical things make for peace and the edification of one another (v. 19)?
5. What should be at the root of our attitudes and actions (vv. 22-23)?
6. If you aren’t sure something is right or wrong, should you do it (vv. 14, 23)? Why or why not?
7. What are some “disputable matters” in the Church today? Are they being addressed? If they are, are they being addressed correctly?
8. What clear cut principles for action are found in verses 19-23 for those strong in the faith and for those who are weak?
9. In his treatise, *On the Freedom of Christian Man*, Martin Luther wrote, “A Christian man is a most free lord of all, subject to none. A Christian man is a most dutiful servant to all, subject to all.” How do these words summarize the essence of this chapter?