



# Part 7

**The Father's Heart:  
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# Romans 15:7

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as\* Christ also received us, to\* the  
glory of God.

# **Romans 14:1-2**

**Receive one who is weak in the faith, but not to disputes over doubtful things. For one believes he may eat all things, but he who is weak eats only vegetables.**



# **Romans 14:3-4a**

**Let not him who eats despise him who does not eat, and let not him who does not eat judge him who eats; for God has received him. Who are you to judge another's servant?**

# **Romans 14:4b-5**

**To his own master he stands or falls.  
Indeed, he will be made to stand, for  
God is able to make him stand. One  
person esteems one day above  
another.**



# **Romans 14:5b-6**

**Another esteems every day alike. Let each be fully convinced in his own mind. He who observes the day observes it to the Lord; and he who does not observe the day,**

# **Romans 14:6b**

**...to the Lord he does not observe it.  
He who eats, eats to the Lord, for he  
gives God thanks; and who who  
does not eat, to the Lord he does not  
eat, and gives God thanks.**



# **Romans 14:7-8**

**For none of us lives to himself, and no one dies to himself. For if we live, we live to the Lord; and if we die, we die to the Lord. Therefore, whether we live or die, we are the Lord's.**

# Romans 14:9

For to this end Christ died and rose  
and lived again, that He might be  
Lord of both the dead and the living.



# **Romans 14:10**

**Why do you judge your brother? Or why do you show contempt for your brother? For we shall all stand before the judgment seat of Christ.**





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# **Obstacles Preventing Us From Receiving One Another (14:1-3)**

**“Receive one who is weak in  
the faith” (14:1)**

**The weaker and the stronger  
brothers see the world very  
differently.**



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**“Let not him who eats despise  
him who does not eat” (14:3a)**

**The stronger brother despises the  
weaker brother**



**“Let not him who does not eat  
judge him who eats” (14:3b)**

**The stronger brother despises the  
weaker brother**

**Strategies Empowering  
us to Receive One  
Another (14:3-10)**



**“Who are you to judge?”  
(14:4b)**

**Strategy: humble ourselves in the  
sight of God**

**“Who are you to judge  
another’s servant?” (14:4b)**

**Strategy: see ourselves as a fellow  
servant of Christ**



**“To his own Master he stands  
or falls” (14:4c)**

**Strategy: let go of our need to  
control or what we call “help”**

**“God is able to make him  
stand” (14:4d)**

**Strategy: trust God’s ability without  
our intervention**



**“Why do you judge your  
brother” (14:10)**

**Strategy: remind ourselves that  
the weaker or stronger believer  
is our brother**





**Paradigm Changing what  
“One Another” looks like  
(Romans 14:19; 15:5-9)**

# **Romans 14:17-18**

**For the kingdom of God is not eating and drinking, but righteousness peace and joy in the Holy Spirit. For he who serves Christ in this\* thing is acceptable to God and approved by men.**



# Romans 14:19

Therefore let us pursue the things  
which make for peace and the things  
by which one may edify another.

**“Let us pursue the things which  
make for peace” (14:19)**

**Paradigm: The Father’s heart is for  
us to pursue the things that make  
for peace**



# **Romans 15:5**

**Now may the God of patience and  
comfort grant you to be like-minded  
toward one another, according to  
Christ Jesus.**

**“...be like-minded toward one another” (15:5)**

**Paradigm: The Father’s heart is to be like-minded even in light of our differences**



# **Romans 15:6**

**...that you may with one mind and  
one mouth glorify the God and  
Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.**

**“...with one mind and one mouth glorify God.” (15:6)**

**Paradigm: The Father's heart is for us to glorify Him with one mind and one mouth**



# **Romans 15:8-9**

**Now I say that Jesus Christ has  
become a servant to the  
circumcision for the truth of God, to  
confirm the promises made to the  
fathers, and that the Gentiles might  
glorify God for his mercy.**

**that the Gentiles also might  
glorify God for His mercy (15:9)**

**Jesus became a Jew so the Gentiles  
might also know God's mercy**



# Romans 15:7

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as\* Christ also received us, to\* the  
glory of God.

**“Receive\* one another, just as  
Christ also received us, to the  
glory of God. (15:7)**

**“Receive”**



**“Receive one another\*, just as  
Christ also received us, to the  
glory of God. (15:7)**

**“one another”**

**“Receive one another, just as\*  
Christ also received us, to the  
glory of God. (15:7)**

**“Just as”**



**“Receive one another, just as  
Christ also received us, to the  
glory of God. (15:7)”**

**“Christ also received us”**

**“Receive one another, just as  
Christ also received us, to\* the  
glory of God. (15:7)**

**“to the glory of God”**



# John 17:21

That they all may be one, as You, Father, are in Me, and I in You; that they also may be one in Us, that the world may believe that you sent Me

# John 17:22-23a

And the glory which You gave Me I  
have given them, that they may be  
one just as We are one: I in them,  
and You in Me; that they may be  
made perfect in one



# John 17:23b

And that the world may know that  
You have sent Me, and have loved  
them as You have loved Me.

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**“in the glory of God”**

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**Knowing how intimately Christ  
received us empowers us to receive  
all believers so that we no longer  
see them as “others” but as “us.”**



# John 17:22-23a

And the glory which You gave Me I  
have given them, that they may be  
one just as We are one: I in them,  
and You in Me;

# John 17:23b

And that the world may know that  
You have sent Me, and have loved  
them as You have loved Me.



**“Receive\* one another, just as\*  
Christ also received us, to\* the  
glory of God. (15:7)**

**The Father’s Heart is that we would  
would no longer see other believers  
as “others” but as “us.” This is the  
oneness for which Jesus prayed.**



