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GRACE

CHANGES EVERYTHING



WEEK 15 | Wake Up and Get Dressed

PRAYER

Heavenly Father, forgive me for the times when I have not acted in godly love towards my fellow brothers and sisters in Christ who may be weaker in the faith than I and who may hold to some practices and biases from which I have been set free. Keep me from developing a critical spirit towards other members of your body (the Church), and help me not to do anything from selfish ambition or conceit, but in humility of heart, please help me to count others as more significant than myself. This I ask in Jesus' name, Amen.

From [Prayer Knowing Jesus](#)

WARM UP

(OPTIONAL)

What are some things that you can be critical of about other people?

NOTES

WORD

¹As for the one who is weak in faith, welcome him, but not to quarrel over opinions. ² One person believes he may eat anything, while the weak person eats only vegetables. ³ Let not the one who eats despise the one who abstains, and let not the one who abstains pass judgment on the one who eats, for God has welcomed him. ⁴ Who are you to pass judgment on the servant of another? It is before his own master that he stands or falls. And he will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make him stand.

⁵One person esteems one day as better than another, while another esteems all days alike. Each one should be fully convinced in his own mind. ⁶The one who observes the day, observes it in honor of the Lord. The one who eats, eats in honor of the Lord, since he gives thanks to God, while the one who abstains, abstains in honor of the Lord and gives thanks to God. ⁷ For none of us lives to himself, and none of us dies to himself. ⁸ For if we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord. So then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's. ⁹ For to this end Christ died and lived again, that he might be Lord both of the dead and of the living.

¹⁰ Why do you pass judgment on your brother? Or you, why do you despise your brother? For we will all stand before the judgment seat of God; ¹¹ for it is written, "As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall confess to God."

¹² So then each of us will give an account of himself to God.

[ROMANS 14:1-12](#)

GUIDE QUESTIONS

(NUMBERED ACCORDING TO LEVEL OF DEPTH AND READINESS TO SHARE)

1. On a scale from 1-10 (1 = none at all; 10 = always consistent), how would you rate your ability to be patient and understanding with people who have different opinions as you? Why have you rated yourself this way?
2. Verse 1 says, "As for the one who is weak in faith, welcome him, but not to quarrel over opinions." Why should we welcome those with different opinions? How can we become better at welcoming these people? What practical things can we do?
3. Verse 4 says, "Who are you to pass judgment on the servant of another? It is before his own master that he stands or falls. And he will be upheld, for the Lord is able to make him stand." What are some character attributes of a judgmental Christian versus a gracious Christian? (e.g. A judgmental Christian can be impatient with the views of a new Christian. A gracious Christian can be patient with the journey that the new Christian is on).

4. From the acronym, GREY (Glorify God, Read from the Bible, Encounter the Holy Spirit, Younger believers won't stumble), which of these four concepts do you think needs more attention in your own life and why?
5. In regards to younger believers, how can we practically support and encourage them in their walk with Christ? Who are these young believers that you are walking alongside with? Let's name and pray for them. If you aren't connected with any young believers, spend some time in prayer, asking God who you could make contact with. |
6. Would you like to trust God with your life? Would you like to receive the gift of life, forever walking with God? Would you like to enter into a saving relationship with God through Jesus? Ask your Life Group leader to lead you in prayer to receive Christ. You can pray this prayer:

Dear Lord Jesus, I know that I am a sinner, and I ask for your forgiveness. I believe you died for my sins and rose from the dead. I turn from my sins and invite you to come into my heart and life. I want to trust and follow you as my Lord and Saviour. In Jesus' name, Amen.

PRAYER