

# Our Duty Toward Our Brother

## Romans 14:1-12

### 1A. Introduction

### 2A. REJECT Judgmentalism (vs. 1-4)

1B. Paul is addressing issues of personal c\_\_\_\_\_ in areas where Scripture does not give us direct commands. He is NOT saying to tolerate s\_\_\_\_\_ or heresy!

2B. There are several reasons why a believer might be “weak,” struggling with many different conscience issues:

1C. He might be a n\_\_\_ Christian.

2C. He might be “diseased” from a background of legalistic r\_\_\_\_\_ without any guiding Biblical principles.

3C. He might be “malnourished,” starving for solid, Biblical t\_\_\_\_\_.

4C. He might be weak from lack of “exercise,” never having been d\_\_\_\_\_ or taught to use his Christian muscles in serving God and His people.

3B. Neither the “stronger” nor the “weaker” brother is to disdain or judge the other, for G\_\_\_ has accepted him.

### 3A. RETAIN Your Convictions Before God (vs. 5-9)

1B. God no longer requires that we gather to worship Him on a specific d\_\_\_\_. The New Testament addresses our c\_\_\_\_\_ in gathering together (Heb. 10:25), but doesn’t mandate a given day.

2B. We ARE to be men and women of c\_\_\_\_\_, “fully c\_\_\_\_\_,” with Biblical reasons for drawing the lines where we do. God is NOT calling us to a lackadaisical, “it-doesn’t-really-matter” a\_\_\_\_\_.

### 4A. REMEMBER: Judgment Belongs to God (vs. 10-12)

1B. It’s not our job to judge the convictions of others. God is the J\_\_\_\_\_, and we will all stand before the B\_\_\_\_\_ Seat of Christ to be judged for how WE lived.

### 5A. Conclusion

1B. Search the S\_\_\_\_\_ and determine your own convictions.

2B. Allow others the freedom to follow their own c\_\_\_\_\_.

3B. Hold firmly to the essentials, but allow differences in the n\_\_\_\_\_.

4B. Do not judge your fellow C\_\_\_\_\_ regarding his convictions.