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## **Romans 14:1**

**Receive one who is weak in the faith, but not to disputes over doubtful things.**

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**Welcome with open arms fellow believers who don't see things the way you do. And don't jump all over them every time they do or say something you don't agree with – even when it seems that they are strong on opinions but weak in the faith department.**

**Remember, they have their own history to deal with. Treat them gently. [Message]**

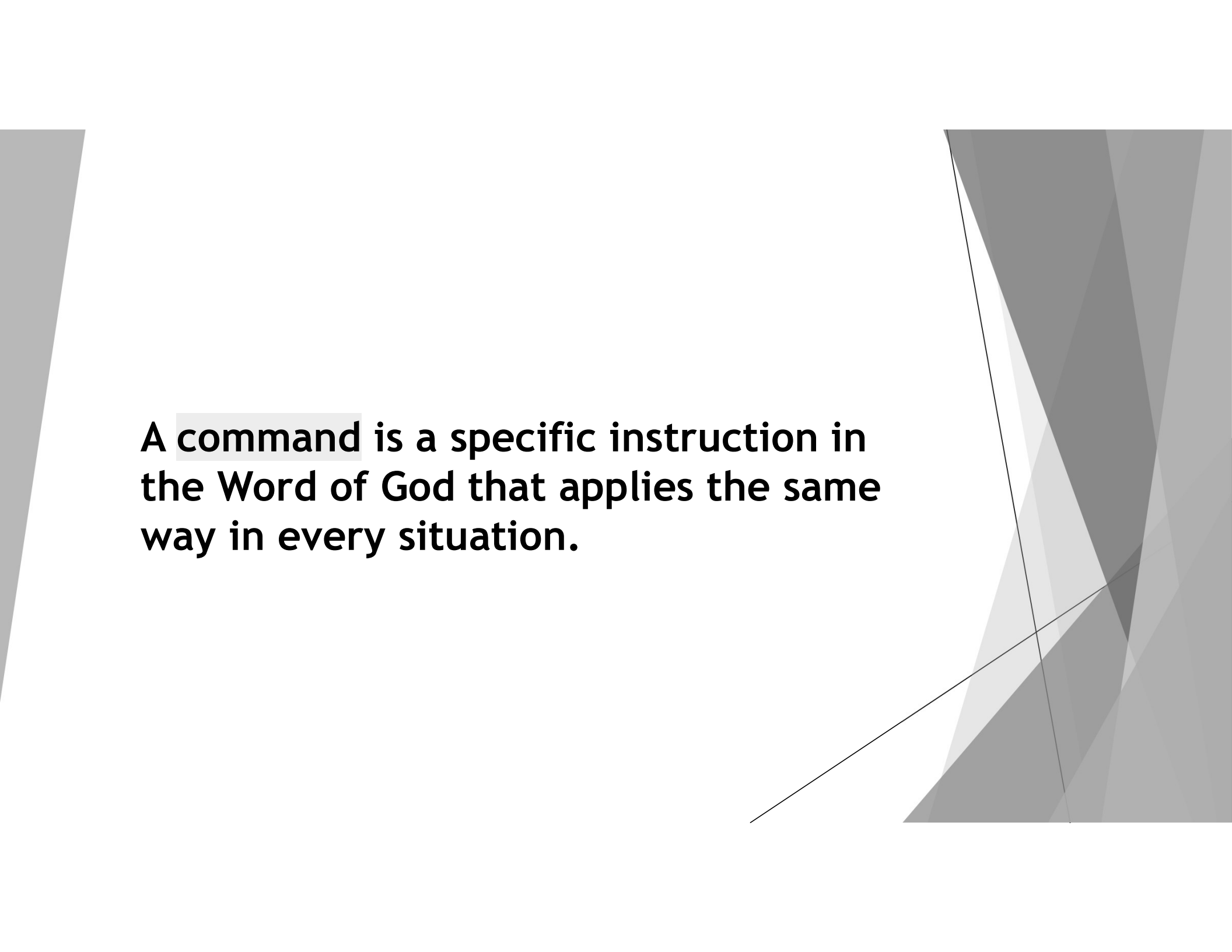


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# Convictions

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**A command is a specific instruction in the Word of God that applies the same way in every situation.**

# Command Examples

## Morality Issues of Flesh (Galatians, Ephesians)

**Adultery**

**Fornication**

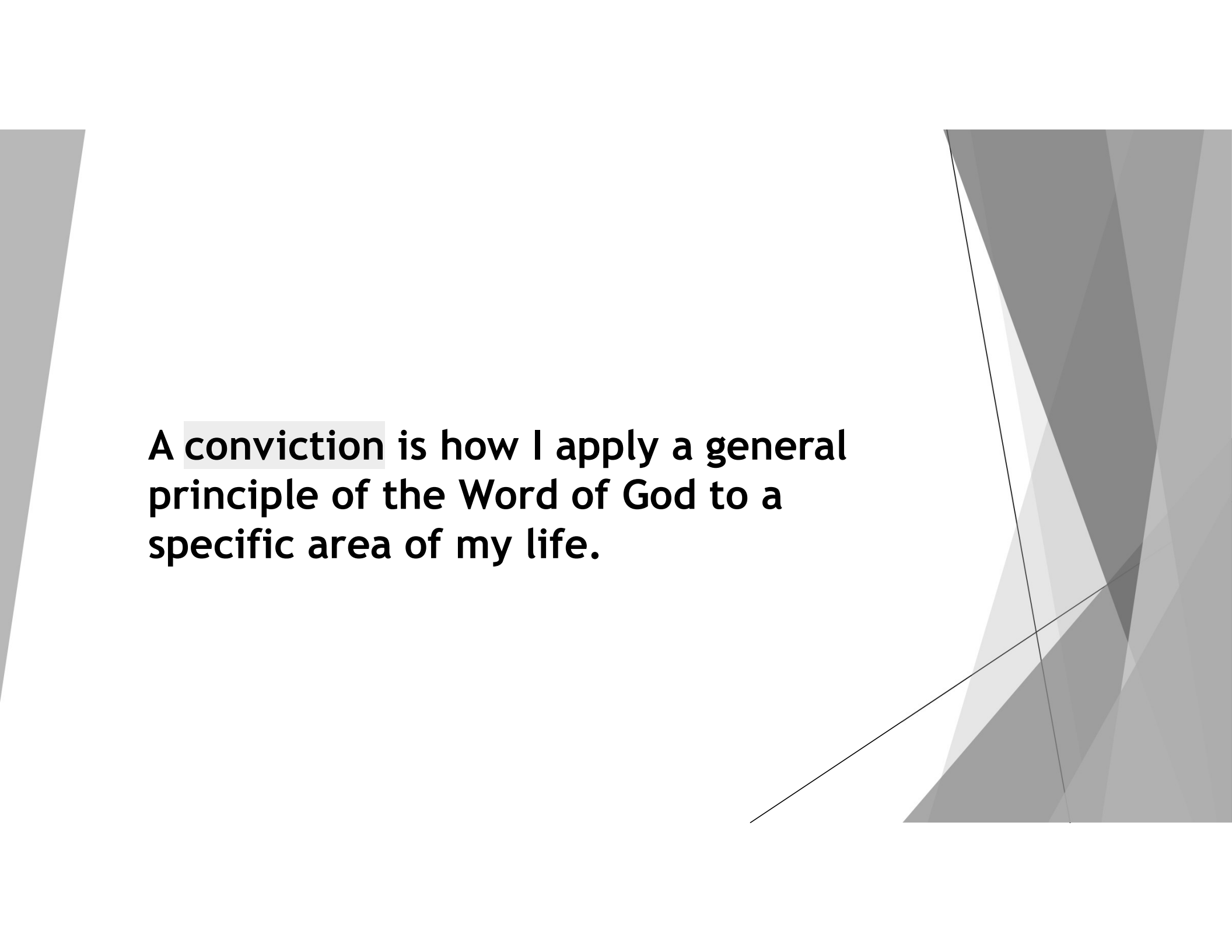
**Murder**

**Drunkenness**

**Stealing**

**Hatred / Outbursts of Wrath**

**Gossip / Backbiting**



**A conviction is how I apply a general principle of the Word of God to a specific area of my life.**

# Conviction Examples Through The Years

Watching Television or Attending Movies

Working for Pay on Sundays

Drinking Alcohol or Cooking with wine

Attending theater with live drama

Eating food in church building

R-Rated Movies

Mixed swimming - 2 Piece swimsuits

Public, Private, or Home School Education

Playing pool or cards

Buying insurance

Bible translation other than the King James

Playing musical instruments in church

Wearing make-up

Wearing A Mask (or) Not Wearing A Mask



## **Romans 14:2-3**

**For instance, a person who has been around for a while might well be convinced that he can eat anything on the table, while another, with a different background, might assume all Christians should be vegetarians and eat accordingly.**

**But since both are guests at Christ's table, wouldn't it be terribly rude if they fell to criticizing what the other ate or didn't eat? God, after all, invited them both to the table.**

## Romans 14:4-5

Do you have any business crossing people off the guest list or interfering with God's welcome? If there are corrections to be made or manners to be learned, God can handle that without your help.

Or, say, one person thinks that some days should be set aside as holy and another thinks that each day is pretty much like any other. There are good reasons either way. So, each person is free to follow the convictions of conscience.



# **Theological Differences**

# **Theological Essentials**

**Jesus is God**

**He was born of a virgin**

**Lived a sinless life**

**Died on the cross for your sins**

**You must call upon the name of the Lord**

**And believed in your heart that God raised Him from  
the dead.**

## **The Apostles' Creed**

**I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died, and was buried;**

**He descended into hell; The third day He rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, sits at the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence He shall come to judge the living and the dead.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Catholic (Universal) Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.**

# **Theological Differences**

**Healing for today**

**Speaking In Tongues**

**Gifts of the Spirit for today**

**Pre-Mid-Post Tribulation Rapture**

**Predestination Vs Free Will Choice of Salvation**

**Once Saved - Always Saved**

**Young Earth - Old Earth**

**Keeping the Sabbath**

## **Romans 14:6-9**

**What's important in all this is that if you keep a holy day, keep it for God's sake; if you eat meat, eat it to the glory of God and thank God for prime rib; if you're a vegetarian, eat vegetables to the glory of God and thank God for broccoli.**

**None of us are permitted to insist on our own way in these matters. It's God we are answerable to – all the way from life to death and everything in between – not each other.**

**That's why Jesus lived and died and then lived again: so that he could be our Master across the entire range of life and death, and free us from the petty tyrannies of each other.**

## **Romans 14:10,12-14**

**So where does that leave you when you criticize a brother? And where does that leave you when you condescend to a sister? I'd say it leaves you looking pretty silly – or worse.**

**Eventually, we're all going to end up kneeling side by side in the place of judgment, facing God. Your critical and condescending ways aren't going to improve your position there one bit.**

**So tend to your knitting. You've got your hands full just taking care of your own life before God.**

**Forget about deciding what's right for each other. Here's what you need to be concerned about: that you don't get in the way of someone else, making life more difficult than it already is.**



## **John 17:20-23**

**I am praying not only for these disciples but also for all who will ever believe in me through their message. I pray that they will all be one, just as you and I are one—as you are in me, Father, and I am in you. And may they be in us so that the world will believe you sent me.**

**I have given them the glory you gave me, so they may be one as we are one. I am in them and you are in me. May they experience such perfect unity that the world will know that you sent me and that you love them as much as you love me.**



**Let No One Judge You**

## **1 Timothy 4:12**

**Let no one despise your youth, but be an example to the believers in word, in conduct, in love, in spirit, in faith, in purity.**

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**Don't be intimidated by those who are older than you; simply be the example they need to see by being faithful and true in all that you do. Speak the truth and live a life of purity and authentic love as you remain strong in your faith.**

## **Colossians 2:16-19**

**So don't let anyone condemn you for what you eat or drink, or for not celebrating certain holy days or new moon ceremonies or Sabbaths. For these rules are only shadows of the reality yet to come. And Christ himself is that reality.**

**Don't let anyone condemn you by insisting on pious self-denial or the worship of angels, saying they have had visions about these things. Their sinful minds have made them proud, and they are not connected to Christ, the head of the body. For he holds the whole body together with its joints and ligaments, and it grows as God**

## **Ephesians 4:14-16**

**We will not be influenced when people try to trick us with lies so clever they sound like the truth.**

**Instead, we will speak the truth in love, growing in every way more and more like Christ, who is the head of his body, the church.**

**He makes the whole body fit together perfectly. As each part does its own special work, it helps the other parts grow, so that the whole body is healthy and growing and full of love.**

# Am I A Heretic?

- **Convictions**
- **Theological Differences**
- **Let No One Judge You**



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**The End**