

Series: The Power of Oneness

Title: Loving Liberty

Lesson: 2

Text: Rom. 14; 1 Cor. 8-10

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7 Principles from Romans 14 on Christian Liberty

1. Assume the best about broth	ers/sisters with different
consciences because we're u	ıltimately still
(vv1–4)	
o Our unity is threatened who who don't share our convic	opinions about those
o It's not our place to	each other

2. E	30	TH restrictive and free co	ensciences can be used to
g	lo	rify God in	(vv5–9)
	0	When it's not a matter of simportant than	•
	0	ALL of life is meant to	God
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3. W	Ve	will ALL give an	to God. (vv10–12)
	0	We're all	, no matter our maturity.
	0	God will hold us accounta	ble for how faithfully we did
		or didn't build the	of the Church.
4		is more impor	tant than liberty. (vv13–18)
	0	We are called to protect the	ne faith of those who still
		need to (c	cf. 1 Cor. 8)

C	We should be willing to		
	liberty for the sake of others. (cf. 1 Cor. 9:1	9–23)	
C	We need to see liberty from	point of	
	view. (cf. 1 Cor. 10:23-24)		
	The question is not whether you can,	but	
	whether you should.		
	The goal is God's glory, not self-indu	lgence. (cf.	
	1 Cor. 10:31-33)		
5. Har ——	ming the conscience of a brother/sister is (vv19–21)		
0	Good things for us become wh	nen we use	
	them to harm another's faith.		
0	Loving brothers/sisters means not putting th	nem in	
	positions to see us practice liberty in areas where		
	their consciences are still	·	

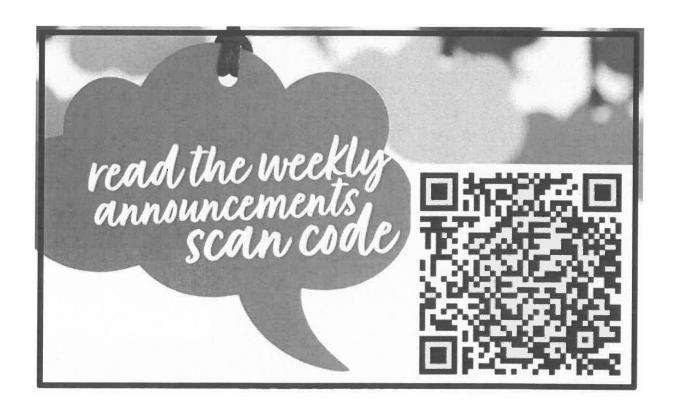
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We	have different	areas where our
consciences	are freer/more re	estrained than others
If we go aga	inst our conscienc	ces, we are shutting
	out of the process	3.
can still	ou	ır liberty!
Understandi	ng liberty is a sigr	n of
	fait	th.
We can enjoy our liberty in Christ to the extent our		
consciences	will allow so that	we can
	God in th	ose things!
The key is _		(cf. 1 Cor.
10:25–30)		
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What do we do with this text?

Enjoy personal liberty in Christ, but love other people even more!

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

- 1. Have you ever been taught about Christian liberty before? What was your response the first time you learned about it?
- 2. Which of these seven principles is most difficult to remember/practice? How can you grow in this area?
- 3. How can you help yourself (and others) glorify God by enjoying personal liberty in Christ without forgetting about caring for others?
- 4. How can you help yourself (and others) glorify God by caring for others' consciences without throwing out liberty in Christ?
- 5. How would you disciple someone with an overly restrictive conscience? How about someone who exercises his/her liberty without regard for others?



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