

# But We Think Differently

Romans 14 & 15

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*May God, who gives this patience and encouragement, **help you live in complete harmony with each other**, as is fitting for followers of Christ Jesus. Then all of you can join together with one voice, giving praise and glory to God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Romans 15:5-6 NLT*

1. Will I offer people a \_\_\_\_\_?

*<sup>1</sup>Accept other believers who are weak in faith, and don't argue with them about what they think is right or wrong.*

*Romans 14 NLT*

*Therefore, accept each other just as Christ has accepted you so that God will be given glory. Romans 15:7 NLT*

*Our job is to love others without stopping to inquire whether or not they are worthy.—Thomas Merton*

*<sup>5</sup>In the same way, some think one day is more holy than another day, while others think every day is alike. You should each be fully convinced that whichever day you choose is acceptable. <sup>6</sup>Those who worship the Lord on a special day do it to honor him. Those who eat any kind of food do so to honor the Lord, since they give thanks to God before eating. And those who refuse to eat certain foods also want to please the Lord and give thanks to*

*God. Romans 14 NLT*

2. I will let people be who \_\_\_\_\_ them to be

*<sup>7</sup>For we don't live for ourselves or die for ourselves. <sup>8</sup>If we live, it's to honor the Lord. And if we die, it's to honor the Lord.*

*So **whether we live or die, we belong to the Lord.** Romans 14 NLT*

*<sup>12</sup>**Yes, each of us will give a personal account to God.** <sup>13</sup>So let's stop condemning each other. Decide instead to live in such a way that you will not cause another believer to stumble and fall. Romans 14 NLT*

*<sup>14</sup>I know and am convinced on the authority of the Lord Jesus that no food, in and of itself, is wrong to eat. But if someone believes it is wrong, then for that person it is wrong. <sup>15</sup>And if another believer is distressed by what you eat, you are not acting in love if you eat it. Don't let your eating ruin someone for whom Christ died. <sup>16</sup>Then you will not be criticized for doing something you believe is good. Romans 14 NLT*

*<sup>19</sup>**So then, let us aim for harmony in the church and try to build each other up.** Romans 14 NLT*

## How Do We Create Harmony with Those Who Aren't Just Like Us?

1. Take a \_\_\_\_\_ of your attitude.

2. Let it \_\_\_\_\_.

3. Find your \_\_\_\_\_.