# WORD OF GRACE Part 24: Pleasing to God | Text: Romans 14

### Romans 14:1-9

Those who are strong do not major on the minors, but major on the Word.Romans 8:5-8Carnal vs. MatureRomans 8:13, 14Led by the Spirit

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Romans 14:2-6	What to eat
Acts 11:3	Who to eat with
1 Corinthians 8:4-13	Where to eat
1 Corinthians 10:25	Where to buy meat
Romans 14:5,6	Sabbath
Acts 15:1-24	Circumcision
Acts 15:1	Law of Moses
1 Corinthians 11:4-16	Clothes and customs

Romans 14:5, 6 (NLT) In the same way, some think one day is more holy than another day, while others think every day is alike. Each person should have a personal conviction about this matter. (6) Those who have a special day for worshiping the Lord are trying to honor him. Those who eat all kinds of food do so to honor the Lord, since they give thanks to God before eating. And those who won't eat everything also want to please the Lord and give thanks to God.

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Acts 24:16	Clear conscience
2 Corinthians 1:12	Conscience testifies
1 Timothy 1:5	Good conscience
Hebrews 9:9	Cleansing of our conscience
1 Peter 3:21	Toward God

2 Corinthians 1:12 (NLT) We can say with confidence and a clear conscience that we have been honest and sincere in all our dealings. We have depended on God's grace, not on our own earthly wisdom. That is how we have acted toward everyone, and especially toward you.

1 Timothy 1:5 (NLT) The purpose of my instruction is that all the Christians there would be filled with love that comes from a pure heart, a clear conscience, and sincere faith.

### Romans 14:10-12

# We will all stand before the Lord and receive the \_\_\_\_ of our faithfulness. Believers' Judgment Seat

1 Corinthians 3:11-15 | 2 Corinthians 5:10 | Matthew 25:23 Luke 6:35 | Matthew 12:36 | 1 Corinthians 4:2

1 Corinthians 9:24-27 (NLT) Remember that in a race everyone runs, but only one person gets the prize. You also must run in such a way that you will win. (25) All athletes practice strict self-control. They do it to win a prize that will fade away, but we do it for an eternal prize. (26) So I run straight to the goal with purpose in every step. I am not like a boxer who misses his punches. (27) I discipline my body like an athlete, training it to do what it should. Otherwise, I fear that after preaching to others I myself might be disqualified.

### **Non-Believers' Judgment Seat**

Revelation 20:11-15

# Romans 14:17, 18

#### The important thing for us to remember is what the King is saying.

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Righteousness:	2 Corinthians 5:21   Romans 8:4	
Peace:	Romans 8:5, 6   Romans 5:1	
Joy:	1 Peter 1:8   Isaiah 61:10	

1 Peter 1:8 (NLT) You love him even though you have never seen him. Though you do not see him, you trust him; and even now you are happy with a glorious, inexpressible joy.

# Romans 14:22, 23

The liberty that we have in Christ is to		us to do the right
thing to those in ou	r nation of influence.	
Law of Liberty:	Romans 14:6	
Law of Expediency:	Romans 14:7	
Law of Love:	Romans 14:3	
Law of Sacrifice:	Romans 14:20, 21	

# **D12 Group Discussion Questions**

- 1. Talk about what the controversial topics in the churches are today that have nothing to do with salvation.
- 2. Read the scriptures under conscience and talk about the work of the conscience and our responsibility to have a sensitive conscience.
- 3. Talk about the believer at the Bema Seat of Christ.
- 4. Talk about Romans 14:17, 18.

## **Prayer Focus**

Let's agree for the Lord to reveal the one He has chosen to be our next President.