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BRETHREN CHURCH

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Sharing Life with Others (Romans 14:1-13)



WILDERNESS SURVIVAL KIT

a guide to spiritual flourishing
when your world becomes wild



fear not

— An Advent Sermon Series —

The best of you is a life that is saturated in worshiping Jesus, open to the Holy Spirit's leading, and replacing the lies of who you are with God's truth.

But sharing life with others isn't just showcasing what is best—it's inviting people into what is real.



expectation



reality



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my 4 year old daughter wants to dress as a cat for Halloween and I'm trying to explain to her that Ruth Bader Ginsberg would be better for my Instagram metrics but she's acting like the spreadsheet doesn't even matter despite the data being very clear

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400 people are Tweeting abo...

In real life, people that are kind, intelligent, and compassionate can come to very different conclusions than you do about very substantive issues.

Accept other believers who are weak in faith, and don't argue with them about what they think is right or wrong. For instance, one person believes it's all right to eat anything. But another believer with a sensitive conscience will eat only vegetables.

Romans 14:1-13

Those who feel free to eat anything must not look down on those who don't. And those who don't eat certain foods must not condemn those who do, for God has accepted them.

Romans 14:1-13

Who are you to condemn someone else's servants? Their own master will judge whether they stand or fall. And with the Lord's help, they will stand and receive his approval.

Romans 14:1-13

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.

Romans 14:1-13

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 14:1-13

For we don't live for ourselves or die for ourselves. 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 14:1-13

Christ died and rose again for this very purpose—to be Lord both of the living and of the dead. So why do you condemn another believer? Why do you look down on another believer? Remember, we will all stand before the judgment seat of God.

Romans 14:1-13

For the Scriptures say,

“‘As surely as I live,’ says the Lord, ‘every knee will bend to me, and every tongue will declare allegiance to God.’”

Romans 14:1-13

Yes, each of us will give a personal account to God. 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 14:1-13



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“You are the salt of the earth. But what good is salt if it has lost its flavor? Can you make it salty again? It will be thrown out and trampled underfoot as worthless.

Matthew 5:13-16

“You are the light of the world—like a city on a hilltop that cannot be hidden. No one lights a lamp and then puts it under a basket. Instead, a lamp is placed on a stand, where it gives light to everyone in the house.

Matthew 5:13-16

In the same way, let your good deeds shine out for all to see, so that everyone will praise your heavenly Father.

Matthew 5:13-16



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There have been times during the history of the Church when we have dimmed our witness to Christ by imitating the darkness of the world.

~ 50 AD

CORINTH



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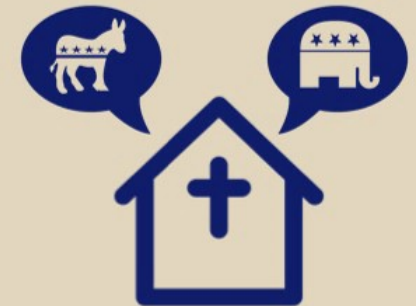
THE SOUTH



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the dominant culture.

~ 2020 AD

AMERICA



The Church imitates
the partisan divisions of
the dominant culture.

*Sharing life with people you don't
always agree with isn't a lukewarm
avoidance of conflict—it's a radical
witness to a Kingdom that
transcends cultural contamination.*



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**SHARING LIFE
WITH OTHERS:
BEING THE
BODY OF CHRIST**

- + **HOSPITALITY** is sharing your home and resources with a friend or stranger to demonstrate the welcoming heart of our Lord.
- + **MENTORING** is believing-in and empowering others to become more than they could be on their own.
- + **SERVICE** is giving, sharing, and caring for others in the name of Jesus, loving your neighbor as yourself.



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