

ACT IN CHRIST'S LOVE

ROMANS 14:10-21

How did you see God working in your life this week? (Romans 1:11, 12)

BACKGROUND: David Veerman states, "The main things are the plain things, and the plain things are the main things." Sadly, many denominations and churches are stuck on old and modern amoral issues.

REMEMBER WHAT'S AHEAD. Your acts of love for others will give you a good accounting on Christ's judgment day for believers. (**Romans 14:10-13, fn 14:10-12, II Corinthians 5:9, 10, fn 5:9, 10, Matthew 16:27, fn `16:27, I Peter 4:5, fn 4:5**) Judgment day for unbelievers—(**Revelation 20:11-15, fn 20:12-15, fn 20:14**) *How could you redirect your heart's affection for the unlovely for a good accounting on judgment day?*

STICK WITH BASICS. A new faith is fragile and tender and must be protected by the strong in faith, or the Lord's work may be destroyed. It is pleasing to Jesus if you join Him—acting in love, avoiding the snares of disputable matters, and leading young believers to know and experience God's righteousness, peace, and joy in the Holy Spirit. (**Romans 14:14-18, Romans 1:16, 17, fn 1:17, I Corinthians 8:9-13, fn 8:10-13, Romans 15:13, I Corinthians 2:4, 5, fn 2:4, Colossians 3:14, 15, fn 3:14, 15**) *What are the main things (Romans 14: 17) and how is each important for you?*

BUILD UP TOGETHER. Everyone must act in love to actively build up all in Christ. This leads to peace and opens hearts to receive God's grace, transforming both the weak and the strong in faith into His image. This pleases God and is approved by men. (**Romans 14:18-21, Romans 15:1-3, 14, Romans 14:1, fn 14:1[1st], Colossians 1:28-2:3, fn 1:28, 29, Ephesians 2:19-22, fn 2:19-22, Romans 1:11, 12**) *How could you build up all in your family? In your group?*

Check up—Are you praying with your spouse and your family? Group—Pray for personal requests and bond together by fellowshiping together.