**CHAPTER 14**

*The strong must bear with the weak. Cautions against judging; and giving scandal.*

**1** Now him that is weak in faith, take unto you: not in disputes about thoughts.

**2** For one believeth that he may eat all things: but he that is weak, let him eat herbs.

**3** Let not him that eateth, despise him that eateth not: and he that eateth not, let him not judge him that eateth. For God hath taken him to him.

**4** Who art thou that judgest another man’s servant? To his own lord he standeth or falleth. And he shall stand: for God is able to make him stand.

**5** For one judgeth between day and day: and another judgeth every day: let every man abound in his own sense.

**6** He that regardeth the day, regardeth it unto the Lord. And he that eateth, eateth to the Lord: for he giveth thanks to God. And he that eateth not, to the Lord he eateth not, and giveth thanks to God.

**7** For none of us liveth to himself; and no man dieth to himself.

**8** For whether we live, we live unto the Lord; or whether we die, we die unto the Lord. Therefore, whether we live, or whether we die, we are the Lord’s.

**9** For to this end Christ died and rose again; that he might be Lord both of the dead and of the living.

**10** But thou, why judgest thou thy brother? or thou, why dost thou despise thy brother? For we shall all stand before the judgment seat of Christ.

**11** For it is written: As I live, saith the Lord, every knee shall bow to me, and every tongue shall confess to God.

**12** Therefore every one of us shall render account to God for himself.

**13** Let us not therefore judge one another any more. But judge this rather, that you put not a stumblingblock or a scandal in your brother’s way.

**14** I know, and am confident in the Lord Jesus, that nothing is unclean of itself; but to him that esteemeth any thing to be unclean, to him it is unclean.

**15** For if, because of thy meat, thy brother be grieved, thou walkest not now according to charity. Destroy not him with thy meat, for whom Christ died.

**16** Let not then our good be evil spoken of.

**17** For the kingdom of God is not meat and drink; but justice, and peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost.

**18** For he that in this serveth Christ, pleaseth God, and is approved of men.

**19** Therefore let us follow after the things that are of peace; and keep the things that are of edification one towards another.

**20** Destroy not the work of God for meat. All things indeed are clean: but it is evil for that man who eateth with offence.

**21** It is good not to eat flesh, and not to drink wine, nor any thing whereby thy brother is offended, or scandalized, or made weak.

**22** Hast thou faith? Have it to thyself before God. Blessed is he that condemneth not himself in that which he alloweth.

**23** But he that discerneth, if he eat, is condemned; because not of faith. For all that is not of faith is sin.