

## **Romans 14:1 (NLT)**

**<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 14:3 (NLT)**

**<sup>3</sup> 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 14:7-8 (NLT)**

**<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 14:10,12 (NLT)**

<sup>10</sup> 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.

...<sup>12</sup> Yes, each of us will give a personal account to God.

**Who am I to JUDGE?**

**Romans 14:1-12**

**Weak in Faith** is a description of those Believers who were **unable to LET GO** of the **Religious** ceremonies and **Rituals** of their past.

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The **weak Jewish Believer** had difficulty abandoning the Rituals and Rules of the Old Covenant; he may have felt compelled to obey to **dietary laws**, and to **keep the Sabbath** and **Jewish Festivals**.

The **weak Gentile Believer** had been raised in **pagan idolatry and rituals**; may have felt that any contact with things related to this past, **including eating meat** that had been offered to a **pagan deity**, tainted him with sin.

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<sup>1</sup> **ACCEPT** him whose **faith is weak**,  
without **passing judgment** on  
disputable matters.

# Questions About FOOD

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1- Did Christians have to obey the **O.T.**

**Food laws?**

2- Did Christians have to be **Vegetarians?**

3- Could Christians eat **Meat Sacrificed**  
to idols?

## Acts 10:12-15 (NIV)

It contained all kinds of four-footed animals, as well as reptiles of the earth and birds of the air. <sup>13</sup> Then a voice told him, Get up, Peter.

Kill and eat. <sup>14</sup> Surely not, Lord! Peter replied.

I have never eaten anything impure or unclean. <sup>15</sup> The voice spoke to him a second time, **Do not call anything IMPURE that God has made CLEAN.**

<sup>4</sup> Who are you to judge someone else's servant? To his own master he stands or falls. **And he will stand, for the Lord is able to make him stand.**

<sup>4</sup> Who are you to criticize another's household slave? Before his own Lord he stands or falls. And **he WILL STAND.**  
**For God has the POWER to make him stand.** (HCS)

If you are an **abstainer**, you must not judge the **participator**. If you are a **participator**, you must not show contempt for the **abstainer**. This **call to ACCEPTANCE** comes to us **as a command of God**.

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<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.

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<sup>5</sup> One man considers one day more sacred than another; another man considers every day alike. **Each one should be FULLY convinced in his own mind.**



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Romans 8:33 (NIV)

Who will bring **ANY charge** against  
those whom God has chosen?

**It is God who justifies.**

Romans 8:34 (NIV)

Who is he that **condemns**?

Christ Jesus, who died - more than that,  
who was raised to life - **is at the right  
hand of God** and is also  
**interceding for us.**