

Romans 14 Study Notes • Disputable Matters

Note from Paul: The numbers below before each question tell you which verse the question pertains to. If you don't see a number in front of a question that means it applies to all the verses of the chapter.

What the Chapter SAYS

v1 What is Paul telling us in verse 1? (Note: We're just looking for DETAILS about what he's saying.)

v1 Describe what Paul means by someone who is "weak in faith."

v3 What solution does Paul give for these differences of opinion?

v4 What is Paul saying in verse 4?

v13 What "decision" does the Apostle Paul tell us to make about others?

What the Chapter MEANS

v1 What does Paul mean when he tells us: "...not to quarrel over opinions" ?

v3 Why doesn't Paul just tell them who is right and who is wrong and be done with it?

v4 Why is it wrong to pass judgment on another man's servant?

v4 Is Paul saying we should never judge anything or anyone? (See 1 Cor 5:12)

- How can we discern a "disputable matter" from an essential belief?

v13 - What does Paul MEAN by "stumbling block" or "hindrance"?

- If you had to summarize the theme of this chapter, how would you do it?

What the Chapter means to ME

v1 Why do you think Christians LIKE to quarrel so much?

v1 What are some of the things YOU can do to keep from quarreling about "opinions" ?

v13 - How can we keep from setting up stumbling blocks for brothers and sisters in Christ?

- Have you ever known someone who was passionate about something that was a "disputable matter?" What was it?
- Were you tempted to argue with them about their belief?
- What should our response be if someone believes something that actually changes the heart of the Gospel message?