

Integrity Bible Study 5: It's Not Relative, It's Relational– Romans 14:1-12

Vocabulary

- Relative means....

- Relational means....

Getting Started

- 1) What are some reasons why people might let people into an organization but prevent them from fully participating in the life of the organization?

- 2) Some disagreements involve things that make or break the relationship. Other disagreements are over things that only affect the relationship if the people in the relationship allow the things to do so. How do you think people should handle disagreements that don't make or break the relationship?

Into the Word

- 1) Why do you think Paul instructs believers not to use disagreements over non-essential faith positions as an excuse to treat people within the fellowship as if they aren't accepted by God?

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- 2) Today's lesson suggests that they are "weak" and "non-weak" believers in a church fellowship. Based on your reading of the lesson, what makes a believer "weak"?

- 3) According to today's lesson, how are believers supposed to determine whether or not a particular faith practice is good and right for them to practice?

Bringing Things Current:

- 4) What non-essential faith practice led the founders of the A.M.E. Church to withdraw from the church that they were currently attending?

- 5) We must guard against any and every faith position that compromises our relationship with God. What is one faith position that might do that and how would you guard against it?
