

### **Sermon Audio Input**

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### **Message Outline**

## ***LIFE is More than Pleasing Yourself***

**Romans 15:1-6**

**I. LIFE with Neighbors**

**II. LIFE with God**

### ***Examine the Scriptures (Be Berean!)***

- Romans 14:1 - 15:13

### ***Consider & Discuss (Be Transformed!)***

- From 15:1, what is clear about the obligation of the “stronger” Christian brother to the “weaker”? How might this work out in an actual situation in your life?
- What general rule for LIFE (living out the life of love that God has placed into the Christian as a new creation in Christ Jesus) can you glean from verse 2? What are the practical factors that array themselves against living out this life? What helpful qualifications to simply “pleasing our neighbor” does Paul thankfully give?
- Christ is the example of the LIFE Paul is calling us to live and He did not please Himself. Who did He please and how does the OT verse quoted in verse 3 show Christ pleasing Him? (see Psalm 69:1-12 esp. 9)
- Verse 4 reads like a wonderful general truth with many applications. Apply it in the present context of pleasing others and suffering reproach.
- **Community Group Discussion: Verses 5 and 6 comprise a prayer of Paul for the Christians in Rome. Given the preceding context acknowledging that brothers and sisters in the same church will hold different views on many issues (Ch. 14), what does it mean to be of the “same mind”? What is the greater purpose beyond Christians being of the same mind that Paul prays for? Tie this in with what you understand to be God’s most ultimate goal for His creation.**

### ***Memory & Meditation Verse***

“Now may the God who gives perseverance and the encouragement grant you to be of the same mind with one another according to Christ Jesus, so that with one accord you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.” Romans 15:5-6

### ***Next Sunday***

Romans 15:7-13