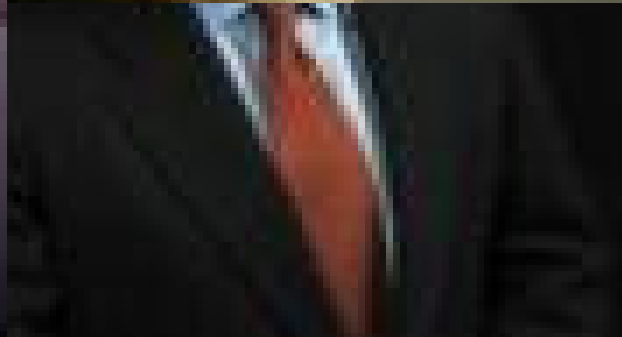
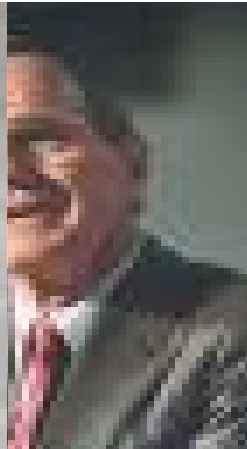


College Age Class in “old” Auditorium

The Book of Romans

Chap 14

“Liberties and Unity”



“Christianity for Dummies” (Chaps 12-15)

The Good Christians “How to” Book:

- Rms. 12:1-3 - ...develop a good self image.
- Rms. 12:4-8 - ...get the most out of life.
- Rms. 12:9-13 - ...love w/out hypocrisy
- Rms. 12:14-18 - ...love your enemies
- Rms. 13:1-5 - ...be a good citizen.
- Rms. 13:5-8 - ...handle your money.
- Rms. 13:8-10 - ...deal with your neighbor.
- Rms. 13:11-14 - ...get going and get dressed
- Rms. 14 & 15 - ...deal with your brother

Romans 14 – 15:13 Outline

- Romans 14:1-12 - Tolerance Regarding Freedom
- Romans 14:13-23 – Walking in Love, Peace & Joy
- Romans 15:1-13 – Unity in Christ

Romans 14 – 15:13 Outline

- Romans 14:1-12 - Here's the Problem
- Romans 14:13-21 – Nothing Really Wrong...
- Romans 14:22-23 – But....
- Romans 15:1-13 – The Attitude we should have

Romans 14&15...Don't Judge your Brother...Help Him!!!!

“Disputable Matters”

■ **The Groups**

- Weak – “grow-up” (14:1, I Cor 8:7)
- Strong
 - “don’t regard w/contempt” (v.3)
 - “bear the weaknesses (15:1)
 - “don’t become a stumbling block” (I Cor 8:9)

■ **The Issues**

- Regarding Diet (v.3-4)
 - Contempt and Judgment is wrong...why? (v.3c -4)
- Regarding Days (v.5-6)
 - Sabbaths/Sundays, Holidays

3 Principles to Help Us (Chaps 14:7-12)

- All Members of the Body of Christ are Interrelated (v.7)
- All Members are under one Head (v.8-9)
- All Members will face Judgment (v.10-12)

5 Principles of Balance (Chaps 14:13-23)

With Regard to “Disputable Matters”:

1. Nothing is Unclean (v.14-16)
 - Gal 5:13 – Freedom becoming Flesh
2. Internals over Externals (v.17-19)
3. Liberty Has it's Limits (v.20)
4. Be Considerate (v.21)
5. Be Confident & Consistent (v.22-23)

We are one...aren't we? (Chaps 15:1-13)

The Unity of God's People

- Our Obligation (v.1-2)
- Our Motivation (v.3-4)
- Paul's Prayer (v.5-6)
- Christ's Example (v.7-12)
 - He Accepted Us (v.7), Became a Servant (v.8)
- The Provision of God's Power (v.13)

Proper Positioning...Proper Attitude

- Rms. 14:3 – God Accepted Him (*us*)
- Rms. 14:4 – God will make him (*us*) stand
- Rms. 14:8 – We are the Lord's
- Rms. 14:9 – Christ Died for All
- Rms. 14:15 – “him (*we*) for whom Christ Died”
- Rms. 14:19 – Pursue...Peace
- Rms. 14:20 – “don't tear down the work of God”
- Rms. 15:3 – Christ's Example (his death)
- Rms. 15:7 – God Accepted Us
- Rms. 15:13 – May God fill us w/hope, joy & peace

And Finally Brethren...

Christ Prayer...

*“I do not ask in behalf of these alone, but for those also who believe in Me through their word; **that the may all be one...** that they may be one in us; **that the world may believe** that thou didst send me”.*

John 17:20-21