

b) Are there certain gray area matters in which you feel constrained by your conscience? In what behavior do you feel limited by your conscience, and why?

#### 4. The Principle of Restraint

a) Define the principle of restraint from 14:13, 15, 19-21.

b) Is there a way you have exercised a liberty which could be coaxing others to violate their conscience? If so, how could you limit that liberty out of love?

#### 5. The Principle of Edification

a) Summarize this principle from 14:5, 14, 19, 22 and 15:2.

b) Who is someone who holds different convictions from you from whom you could learn? How could you invite them to share with you – not so that you might debate their position, but so that you might understand it?

**Let's Pray:**

# Sermon Notes

"Matters of Conscience – Part 2"

Romans 14

September 13, 2020

## Introduction

## Four Observations

## Four Principles

# Growth Group Homework

For the week of 09-13-20

## Getting Started:

1. What makes accepting one another so difficult when we hold strong convictions that differ?

## Digging Deeper:

Read Romans 14:1 – 15:7

2. The Principle of Reception

- a) Define the principle of reception from 14:1, 3, 13, and 15:7.

- b) How does the translation for “receive” as “welcoming into one’s presence” offer practical insight in how we can overcome our tendencies to judge those with different convictions

3. The Principle of Constraint

- a) Define the principle of constraint from 14:1-2, 14, 22-23.