



## BLOOD OF JESUS PRAYER AND DELIVERANCE MINISTRIES

### “BUILDING EACH OTHER UP”

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Romans 14

Romans 14:19 (TLB): *“In this way aim for harmony in the church, and try to build each other up.”*

Romans 15:2 (NIV): *“Each of us should please his neighbor for his good, to build him up.”*

### IF I DON'T WATCH WHAT I DO...MY ACTIONS COULD CAUSE...

#### 1. Other believers TO STUMBLE.

Romans 14:13 (TLB): *“So don't criticize each other anymore. Try instead to live in such a way that you will never make your brother stumble by letting him see you doing something he thinks is wrong.”*

#### 2. Other believers TO BE DISTRESSED.

Romans 14:15a (NIV): *“If your brother is distressed because of what you eat, you are no longer acting in love...”*

#### 3. Other believers COULD BE DESTROYED.

Romans 14:15b: *“...Do not by your eating destroy your brother for whom Christ died.”*

## SIX WAYS, WE CAN BUILD EACH OTHER UP

*Rather than tearing each other down.*

### 1. By committing myself TO BUILDING OTHERS UP.

1 Thessalonians 5:11 (NIV): *“Therefore encourage one another and build each other up, just as in fact you are doing.”*

### 2. By Acknowledging THE VALUE OF EVERY PERSON.

Romans 14:15b: *“...Do not by your eating destroy your brother for whom Christ died.”*

### 3. By staying focused on WHAT’S REALLY IMPORTANT.

Romans 14:16-18 (NIV): *“Do not allow what you consider good to be spoken of as evil. For the kingdom of God is not a matter of eating and drinking, but of righteousness, peace and joy in the Holy Spirit, because anyone who serves Christ in this way is pleasing to God and approved by men.”*

### 4. By RESTRICTING MY LIBERTY out of love for others.

Romans 14:20-21 (NIV): *“Do not destroy the work of God for the sake of food. All food is clean, but it is wrong for a man to eat anything that causes someone else to stumble. It is better not to eat meat or drink wine or to do anything else that will cause your brother to fall.”*

Galatians 5:13 (NKJV): *“For you, brethren, have been called to liberty; only do not use liberty as an opportunity for the flesh, but through love serve one another.”*

### 5. By not forcing MY PERSONAL OPINIONS ON OTHERS.

Romans 14:22 (NIV): *“So whatever you believe about these things keep between yourself and God. Blessed is the man who does not condemn himself by what he approves.”*

Romans 12:18 (NIV): *“If it is possible, as far as it depends on you, live at peace with everyone.”*

**6. By LIVING MY LIFE BY FAITH.**

Romans 14:23 (NKJV): *“But he who doubts is condemned if he eats, because he does not eat from faith; for whatever is not from faith is sin.”*

**WHY ARE WE TO BUILD EACH OTHER UP? IT’S MY RESPONSIBILITY.**

Romans 15:1-2 (NCV): *“We who are strong in faith should help the weak with their weaknesses, and not please only ourselves. Let each of us please our neighbors for their good, to help them be stronger in faith.”*

Romans 15:3-4 (NCV): *“Even Christ did not live to please himself. It was as the Scriptures said: “When people insult you, it hurts me. Everything that was written in the past was written to teach us. The Scriptures give us patience and encouragement so that we can have hope.”*

**WHAT IS THE RESULT? THE CHURCH IS UNIFIED.**

Romans 15:5-6 (NIV): *“May the God who gives endurance and encouragement give you the same attitude of mind toward each other that Christ Jesus had, so that with one mind and one voice you may glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ.”*

Romans 15:7 (NIV): *“Accept one another, then, just as Christ accepted you, in order to bring praise to God.”*

Romans 15:13 (NIV): *“May the God of hope fill you with all joy and peace as you trust in him, so that you may overflow with hope by the power of the Holy Spirit.”*