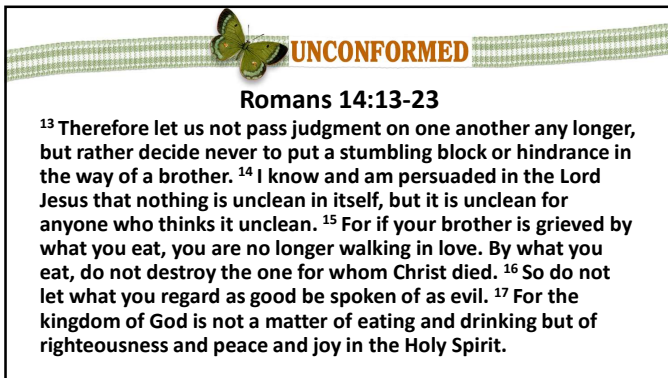




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Transformed Freedom
Romans 14:13-23

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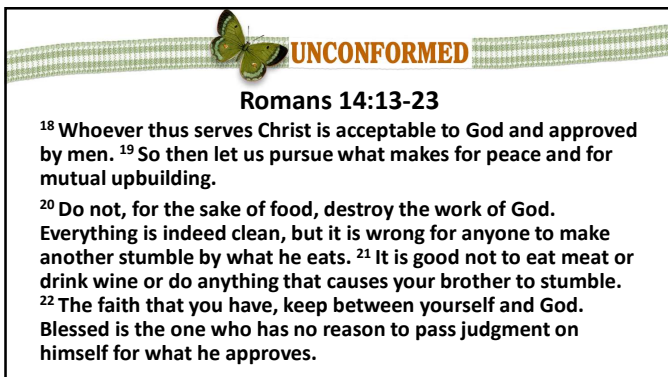


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¹³ Therefore let us not pass judgment on one another any longer, but rather decide never to put a stumbling block or hindrance in the way of a brother. ¹⁴ I know and am persuaded in the Lord Jesus that nothing is unclean in itself, but it is unclean for anyone who thinks it unclean. ¹⁵ For if your brother is grieved by what you eat, you are no longer walking in love. By what you eat, do not destroy the one for whom Christ died. ¹⁶ So do not let what you regard as good be spoken of as evil. ¹⁷ For the kingdom of God is not a matter of eating and drinking but of righteousness and peace and joy in the Holy Spirit.

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¹⁸ Whoever thus serves Christ is acceptable to God and approved by men. ¹⁹ So then let us pursue what makes for peace and for mutual upbuilding.

²⁰ Do not, for the sake of food, destroy the work of God. Everything is indeed clean, but it is wrong for anyone to make another stumble by what he eats. ²¹ It is good not to eat meat or drink wine or do anything that causes your brother to stumble.

²² The faith that you have, keep between yourself and God. Blessed is the one who has no reason to pass judgment on himself for what he approves.

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²³ But whoever has doubts is condemned if he eats, because the eating is not from faith. For whatever does not proceed from faith is sin.

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The Ultimate Expression of Christian Freedom Is Surrendering Your Freedom for the Good of Others

- You have great freedom in Jesus Christ! (verse 14)
- Conformed freedom is self-centered (verse 13)
- Transformed freedom surrenders itself out of love for others (verse 15)

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Use Your Freedom to Build God's Kingdom

- Your greatest freedom is in joyous community with other believers – including those who think differently
- God will bless the voluntary surrender of freedom for the sake of His Kingdom (verse 18)
- Don't undermine Christ's Kingdom work by how you choose to use your freedom! (verse 20)

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