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Handling Gray Areas, Pt 2

Romans 14:13-23

Principle #1: Stop judging, but if you want to judge, start with yourself to make sure you're not a stumbling block to other believers. (v.13)

Principle #2: Redemption in Jesus Christ sets the believer free from trying to please God through a system of rules and regulations. (v. 14a)

Principle #3: You are free from the law; free to make responsible choices. (v.14a)

IMPORTANT NOTE: Christian liberty does not include
the right to do wrong.

Principle #4: If you consider a non-essential gray area to be wrong, don't do it.

Principle #5: Not being a stumbling block is practicing love to your weaker brother or sister. (v.15)

Principle #6: Don't make too much of an issue or cause division over a non-essential gray area. (v.16-18)

Principle #7: Enjoy your freedom concerning any of these non-essential gray areas until they destroy peace in the church. Then give them up. (v.19-21)

Two points about our personal convictions:

1. Our personal convictions concerning these gray areas need to come from God,

and they are between you and God. (v.22)

2. When you don't keep a personal conviction, you have sinned. (v.23)