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Romans 14:10-18

¹⁰ You, then, why do you judge your brother or sister? Or why do you treat them with contempt? For we will all stand before God's judgment seat. ¹¹ It is written:
"'As surely as I live,' says the Lord,
'every knee will bow before me; every tongue will acknowledge God.'"
¹² So then, each of us will give an account of ourselves to God.
¹³ Therefore let us stop passing judgment on one another. Instead, make up your mind not to put any stumbling block or obstacle in the way of a brother or sister. ¹⁴ I am convinced, being fully persuaded in the Lord Jesus, that nothing is unclean in itself. But if anyone regards something as unclean, then for that person it is unclean. ¹⁵ If your brother or sister is distressed because of what you eat, you are no longer acting in love. Do not by your eating destroy someone for whom Christ died. ¹⁶ Therefore do not let what you know is good be spoken of as evil. ¹⁷ For the kingdom of God is not a matter of eating and drinking, but of righteousness, peace and joy in the Holy Spirit, ¹⁸ because anyone who serves Christ in this way is pleasing to God and receives human approval.

Each one of us will give an account for ourselves, and answer for our attitudes and actions.

We judge others to feel better about ourselves.

Your critical and condescending ways aren't going to improve your position on the judgment day one bit.

We like feeling "right".

You can be right, and be dead right.

Would you rather be right, or be well?

Jesus knew what the Word said. He was the Word!

John 1:1-3;14

¹ In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. ² He was with God in the beginning. ³ Through him all things were made; without him nothing was made that has been made.



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¹⁴ The Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us. We have seen his glory, the glory of the one and only Son, who came from the Father, full of grace and truth.

If there was ever anyone who was justified in being judgmental, it was Jesus.

Matthew 7:1-5

¹ "Do not judge, or you too will be judged. ² For in the same way you judge others, you will be judged, and with the measure you use, it will be measured to you.

³ "Why do you look at the speck of sawdust in your brother's eye and pay no attention to the plank in your own eye? ⁴ How can you say to your brother, 'Let me take the speck out of your eye,' when all the time there is a plank in your own eye? ⁵ You hypocrite, first take the plank out of your own eye, and then you will see clearly to remove the speck from your brother's eye.

Do we talk more about what we are against than what we are for?

Are we known more for what we are against than what we are for?

We are not acting in love if we are judgmental toward others.

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