

Examine your status in Christ's kingdom. (1-4)

Model Christ-likeness for other believers. (5-9)

Treat fellow believers like you would treat Jesus Christ Himself. (10-14)

Questions for Discussion:

1. What are some ways in which Christians can move from a place of dependence on God to independence from Him?
Why is this a temptation for us anyway?

Accountability question:

Are there ways you have become more independent from God the longer you have been a Christian?
What will it look like for you to move back to a place of greater dependence on Him?

2. What is the difference between a *strong* Christian and a *weak* Christian (cf. Romans 14:1-15:4)?
Do you or have you known Christians that have caused other *weak* Christians to stumble?
If so, how?
How can we protect our Christian liberty while at the same time not causing others to stumble?

Accountability question:

Is there someone you may have caused to stumble? What will it look like for you to try to make it right?

3. Pastor Jeff listed five ways we can be guilty of despising others:
 - Cluster by preference (being partial to others like us)
 - Be indifferent to, bothered by or judgmental of others
 - Ridicule differences in others
 - Take advantage of others
 - Despise those who speak truth to usWhich of these ways do you think Christians can be most guilty of? Why?

Accountability question:

Which of these ways might you be most guilty of?
What will repentance from this look like for you?