

Value True Life in Christ Part 2-Small Group Questions  
Colossians 2:16-23 and Romans 14:1-23

**Big Idea**

True Life in Christ brings with a focus on Christ as the absolute substance of life, and living for Christ not the world. Dig deep, living focused and free.

**Impact Service Review - Colossians 2:16-23**

Looking back to Sunday's sermon on Colossians 2:16-23--

Summarize the main points:

    Focused: Place your attentions on the true substance not the mere shadow (16-19)

    Free: Live for Christ, not the world (20-23)

What are 5 indicators that you may be placing attentions on the shadows? Do you have any of those signs?

What are your personal applications (macro and micro) from this passage?

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**Dig Deeper**

Read Romans 14:1-23

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**Group Questions**

Verses 1-12

What does it mean to “welcome” the one who is weaker?

What “opinions” do you have or have you had in the past that have caused quarrels?

How do you “despise” or “pass judgement” on others?

Summarize verses 1-4 into an action statement.

Rephrase the following:

Fully convinced in his own mind (v. 5)  
In honor of the Lord (v. 6)  
None of us lives to himself (v. 7)  
None of us dies to himself (v. 7)  
Give an account of himself (v. 12)

When you are convicted regarding a “gray” area, what is the motivation behind your conviction?

Why is it easier to judge someone else’s convictions than our own?

Summarize verses 5-12 into an action statement.

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Verses 13-23

What does it mean to put a “stumbling block or hindrance” in front of another Christian?

Are there areas in your spiritual walk where you need to exercise more sensitivity?  
How can you better “walk in love” in these areas?

How do we, as Christians, “destroy the work of God”?

What does verse 23 say regarding the level of conviction to which we should aspire?

Read 1 Corinthians 10:23-24.

How does this passage support of Romans 14?

What attitudes and actions are indicative of one who practices this passage?

Can you “agree to disagree” in certain gray areas and still maintain and follow your convictions? How?

Summarize this section with an action statement

What is the macro application for this passage (the general application that we all should be challenged to go after)?

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**Accountability Time**

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*Open Up*

What is the micro (personal) application for you in this passage?  
(take the macro application and give it enough detail so it is measurable and for you specifically--who? when? how?)

Have you struggled with another Christian (spouse, family, friend) regarding different convictions? Did you handle it with love?

What is the overarching attitudes you must have in handling these different convictions?

How can you pursue “peace” and “mutual upbuilding” in the area of differing convictions?

What are some sticking points that will keep you from applying this truth?