## DISCOVER. UNDERSTAND. APPLY



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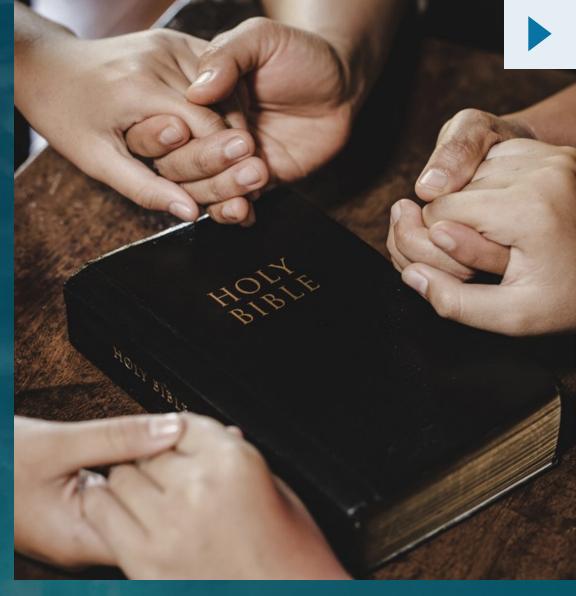
#### NIV

15 We who are strong ought to bear with the failings of the weak and not to please ourselves. 2 Each of us should please our neighbors for their good, to build them up.



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3 For even Christ did not please himself but, as it is written: "The insults of those who insult you have fallen on me." 4 For everything that was written in the past was written to teach us, so that through the endurance taught in the Scriptures and the encouragement they provide we might have hope.





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"I will be Christ-centered and focused on building up of others for their good as we journey together and weather the storms that come our way."



# **Discovery Question**

#1

What are the two kinds of Christians as described by Apostle Paul in v. 1?





# **Discovery Question**

#2

What should the strong Christians do with the failings of the weak (v. 1 and 2)?





# **Discovery Question**

#3

Who is our supreme example or best model of strengthening others and living for the glory of God? What did he do (v. 3)?





### **Understanding Question**

#1

To understand better what Paul is referring to regarding the weak and the strong, in Chapter 14: 1-4, Paul describes who is weak and who is strong in the context of the situation. Who is 'weak' and 'who is 'strong' in this context? (refer to Romans 14:1-4). How should the strong treat the weak in faith? Can you think of specific examples from your own knowledge and experience how the strong can bear with the failings of the weak?



## **Understanding Question**

#2

How do you understand and explain the phrase "to please our neighbors"? (v. 2) Does it mean we should be "people pleasers"?





How did Christ exemplify not pleasing himself?(v. 2 & 3) Expound your answer. (Cross ref. Psalm 69:9)







# **Application Question**

#1

From our Bible study, what is the key to surviving the storms of life as a person or individually and together as a family or as a church family?



## **Application Question**

#2

In this time of COVID-19 pandemic, what storms of life have you gone through or are going through? How did you find help and strength? Share with others. Or maybe someone in your family or in the church have gone through a challenging situation due to the pandemic, what steps have you done or will do in order to bear with the burden of the "weak" and those in need in spite of the imposed restrictions and limitations?

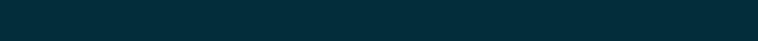


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# **Closing Prayer**



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