

INTRODUCTION:

1. WHAT ARE THE HOLY SPIRIT'S PRIMARY LESSONS IN CHAPTER 14?

- (1) *14:1-2 Christ's congregations are usually made up of strong and weak consciences.*
- (2) *14:3-4 God receives His children whether strong or weak of conscience.*
- (3) *14:5 all believers should be fully persuaded of why they believe what they believe.*
- (4) *14:5-9 Jesus alone is the Lord of His people and their consciences.*
- (5) *14:10-13a all believers will give account of their lives in the Day of Judgment (14:10-13a).*
- (6) *14:13b-15 we must not let our liberty destroy a weaker believer.*
 1. Stop illegitimately judging (14:13a).
 2. Do not stumble other believers (14:13a).
 3. There is no food or drink that is unclean of itself (14:14).
 4. Love for our brethren must prevail (14:15).

2. IN WHAT WAYS CAN WE STUMBLE OTHERS?

a. We can stumble others in our family

b. We can stumble others generally in the Christian life.

c. We can stumble others particularly in our congregations.

d. We can stumble others in relation to government.

e. We can stumble others outside the church.

f. Pastors and elders can stumble Christ's people.

CONCLUSION: