Better Brothers and Sisters

Romans 14:1-15:13

SERMON NOTES

I. Introduction

1. Different opinions are very common

II. Unity in Christ

- 1. Romans 14:5-6
- 2. Disputable matters vs undisputable
- 3. Our identify in Christ brings us together

III. How to be Better Brothers and Sisters

- 1. Romans 14:10-15
- 2. Lift others up instead of judging them
- 3. Be aware of stumbling blocks
- 4. Support and care for brothers and sisters

IV. Peace and Mutual Edification

- 1. Romans 14:17-21
- 2. Be in community
- 3. Healthy communication in community (Ephesians 4:29)

V. Conclusion

Discussion Questions

Sharing Life Together

- 1. Share some opinions you have on different foods, movies, sports. Have any opinions made it hard to be in relationship with people?
- 2. Is it easy for you to share your opinions, or do you ever worry about people judging you for your opinions?

Reflecting on the Message Together

Read Romans 14:1—15:13

- 1. What are disputable matters that people debate in the church?
- 2. How can we have healthy discussions about these matters with people who have different opinions?
- 3. As children of God, how can we keep that at the center of our lives and not get stuck on our differences?
- 4. Think about some stumbling blocks your brothers and sisters might be facing. Are there things you can do to support them and care for them?
- 5. Being the stronger person means to be strong in our faith and sometimes have more grace for others. How can you put that into practice in your life?
- 6. How did God speak to you through the message?
- 7. How can we pray for one another?