**Important Foundations**

1. Scripture is the actual inspired word of God, inerrant and accurate
2. Scripture is to be understood literally & in context
3. No Passage in the Bible questions or is intended to bring into question the eternal destination of one who has faith in Christ

**Personal Bible Study Mindset**

1. If scripture is the true word of God, I should adjust my worldview to match scripture
2. Understanding scripture in its original context precludes trying to finesse my personal desires into scripture.
3. I have to actively combat ingrained false doctrines and view scripture in the light of my assurance of eternal life.

**Dive Prep - Romans 14:1-4**

* What \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is being discussed in this passage?
* Who are the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ involved?
* What are the \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ in question?

**Dive – Romans 14:1-4**

* Have fellowship with weak/young/new believers! – \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* This passage precludes \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ – liberty not license, we aren’t baggage inspectors
* Not an allowance for perpetual weakness – \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_, even demanded, but it takes time and gentle handling

**Conclusion – Romans 14:1-4**

* As free grace folks we should be careful to be \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ to our weaker brethren as they grow
* Remember convictions are a matter between God and the one who has the conviction, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* If you have a conviction, test it against \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_!