



EDGEWATER CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

Bible Study Companion Notes

And he shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, that bringeth forth his fruit in his season, his leaf also shall not wither; and whatsoever he doeth shall prosper. Psalm 1:3

Title

Strong Christians

Scripture Reference

Romans 15:1-2

Supporting Scriptures

Mark 12:13-17

Matthew 22: 34-40

John 3: 1-21

Matthew 23:27-28

Romans 15:6

John 17: 1-26

2 Thessalonians 2:3-7

Open It Up

- Who is an example of a "Strong Christian" in your opinion?
- Tell of a time when your "neighbor" went out of their way to please you?
- Share of a time when you were given words of flattery only to end up embarrassed? How did that make you feel about those words of flattery then and now as you moved past that event?

Dig In Deeper

- Why is it important for the strong Christian to slow down for the weak believer? What are some ways that we can "slow down" for others around us? Can there be a danger in this? How do you protect against that?
- Which is easier for you: Extending Grace or Speaking Truth? Why? Why is the other one difficult for you?
- Why is relationship, both with the person and in prayer, so important to distinguish between extending grace and speaking truth?
- What are some practical examples of ways that you can "slow down" for another believer when necessary?

Think It Through

- What are some of the "preferences" that you hold on to that might cause a "stronger Christian" to need to slow down for you? Is this an area where the Lord is challenging you to step up in maturity?
- When you are edifying another believer, or "slowing down" for them, is there something you're doing that might cause them to be embarrassed?
- Are there instances when you need to develop more relationship, both with the individual personally as well as in prayer, before you "speak truth" to some one? Are they need to have grace extended to them in a greater measure than what you're doing now? Are your actions causing unity or separation in the body? Pray through this and see how the Lord would lead you?

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