

How To Be A BUILDER

Mark 7:1-23
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- God's desire is for us to be builders of people.
- *"We then that are strong ought to bear the infirmities of the weak, and not to please ourselves. Let every one of us please his neighbour for his good to edification. For even Christ pleased not himself."*
Romans 15:1-3a
- How can we do this?

First, seek _____ over preferences.

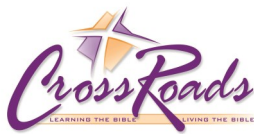
- We all possess different opinions and preferences.
- We can allow our preferences to cause _____ in our relationships with others.
Romans 14:19-20a
- A _____ believer's motto is "Peace over preferences."
- *"Fulfil ye my joy, that ye be likeminded, having the same love, being of one accord, of one mind. Let nothing be done through strife or vainglory; but in lowliness of mind let each esteem other better than themselves."* **Philippians 2:2-3**

Second, give _____ rather than find

_____.

- The Pharisees were experts at finding fault in everybody else, even the Lord Jesus Christ.
- They failed to realize that their critical spirit was actually _____ them.
- Finding fault with others leads to an over-inflated opinion of ourselves that is not based in reality.
- The only way to give grace to others is to _____ in grace in our own heart.
- *“Let no corrupt communication proceed out of your mouth, but that which is good to the use of edifying, that it may minister grace unto the hearers.”*
Ephesians 4:29
- When it is time for us to leave this earth, may we be able to look back on the many lives that we have invested in and impacted for Jesus Christ!

Are you seeking every day to _____ (build up) others?



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