

S.O.A.P. Bible Study
“Grace-Full Community”

S=Scripture: 1 Corinthians 8:1-13; Romans 14:1-4;10-15

O=Observations: Describe the situations presented in these passages. What’s the common problem? In both, Paul describes two sets of people: the strong and the weak. The strong are at risk of being puffed up with knowledge. What does that mean? What are the symptoms? How is 1 Corinthians 13:1-7 a parallel passage that helps provide insight? If the strong tend toward regarding the weak with contempt, what is the tendency of the weak? See Romans 14:10. How are Romans 14:10b and 1 Corinthians 8:6 windows into the Gospel? How is a Gospel-driven life (being captivated by grace) an antidote that guards against both judging and showing contempt? See Romans 15:7.

A=Application: The Gospel is simultaneously humbling and utterly hopeful. How have these passages humbled you? How do they stir hope? How do they help shape your interactions with family members, friends, co-workers, etc.?

P=Prayer: Using Romans 15:5 as a starting point, write out a prayer based on your meditation on these passages: