

Rom 3:24, 28 - 24 being justified as a gift by His grace through the redemption which is in Christ Jesus; ... 28 ... a man is justified by faith apart from works of the Law.

Rom 5:1 - Therefore, having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ...

1 Cor 6:11 - ... you were washed, but you were sanctified...you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ...

Rom 6:19 - ...present your members as slaves to righteousness, resulting in sanctification.

*Eph 2:8–10 - 8 For by **grace** you have been saved through faith; and that not of yourselves, it is the gift of God; 9 not as a result of works, so that no one may boast. 10 For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for **good works**, which God prepared beforehand so that we would walk in them.*

*1 Thes 1:8 - For the word of the Lord has sounded forth from you...in every place your **faith** toward God has gone forth...*

14 We urge you, brethren...

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JOHN MACARTHUR: *They can become criticizing benchwarmers and eventually rebels who undermine church leadership to justify their insubordination. Both are, obviously, divisive.*

4:11 - ... make it your ambition to lead a quiet life and attend to your own business and work with your hands, just as we commanded you...

*2 Thes 3:6 - ...keep away from every brother who leads an **unruly** life...*

*2 Thes 3:11 - For we hear that some among you are leading an **undisciplined life**, doing no work at all, but acting like busybodies.*

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*Rom 15:14 - ... my brethren, I myself also am convinced that you yourselves are ... able also to **admonish** one another.*

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1 Thes 3:3–4 - 3 ... you yourselves know that we have been destined for this. 4 For indeed when we were with you, we kept telling you in advance that we were going to suffer affliction...

Matt 13:8, 23 – 8 “And others fell on the good soil and yielded a crop, some a hundredfold, some sixty, and some thirty. ... 23 “And the one on whom seed was sown on the good soil, this is the man who hears the word and understands it; who indeed bears fruit and brings forth, some a hundredfold, some sixty, and some thirty.”

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*Matt 12:20 - A BATTERED REED HE WILL NOT BREAK OFF,
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*1 Sam 23:16 - And Jonathan, Saul's son, arose and went to David
...and encouraged him ...(or...strengthened his hand)...in God.*

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1 Thes 4:3–7 - 3 For this is the will of God, your sanctification; that is, that you abstain from sexual immorality....7 For God has not called us for the purpose of impurity, but in sanctification.

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Rom 14:1 - 15:6

1 Cor 8-10

Gal 5:1 - It was for freedom that Christ set us free; therefore keep standing firm and do not be subject again to a yoke of slavery.

Col 2:16–17, 20–23 - 16 Therefore no one is to act as your judge in regard to food or drink or in respect to a festival or a new moon or a Sabbath day-- 17 things which are a mere shadow of what is to come; but the substance belongs to Christ. ... 20 If you have died with Christ to the elementary principles of the world, why, as if you were living in the world, do you submit yourself to decrees, such as, 21 "Do not handle, do not taste, do not touch!" 22 (which all refer to things destined to perish with use)--in accordance with the commandments and teachings of men? 23 These are matters which have, to be sure, the appearance of wisdom in self-made religion and self-abasement and severe treatment of the body, but are of no value against fleshly indulgence.

*1 Cor 8:7 - ... some...eat food as if it were sacrificed to an idol;
and their conscience being **weak** is defiled.*

*1 Cor 1:27–29 - 27 ... God has chosen the **weak** things of the
world to shame the things which are strong...29 so that no man
may boast before God.*

*GENE GREEN: Those whom society walks over and puts down
are lifted up and given support by the church.*

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LEON MORRIS: *It is good for weak souls to know that there are others who are with them, who will cleave to them in the difficult moment, who will not forsake them....The weak are not to be simply abandoned, but made to feel that they belong, that they have strong comrades in Christ.*

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B. *WHAT'S EXPECTED IN ALL SITUATIONS*

14...be patient with everyone.

1 Cor 13:4 - Love is patient, love is kind ...

*Gal 5:22 - But the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, **patience***

*Eph 4:2 - with all humility and gentleness, with **patience**, (show) tolerance for one another in love...*

*Col 3:12 - So, as those who have been chosen of God, holy and beloved, put on a heart of compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and **patience**...*

*2 Tim 2:24 - The Lord's bond-servant must not be quarrelsome, but be kind to all, able to teach, **patient** when wronged,*

*2 Tim 4:2 - preach the word; be ready in season and out of season; reprove, rebuke, exhort, with great **patience** and instruction.*

Num 14:18 - The LORD is slow to anger and abundant in lovingkindness...

*1 Tim 1:16 - Yet for this reason I found mercy, so that in me as the foremost, Jesus Christ might demonstrate His perfect **patience** as an example for those who would believe in Him for eternal life.*

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II. PERSONAL CONSTRAINT

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Acts 20:31 - ... night and day for a period of three years I did not cease to admonish each one with tears.

Eph 4:29 - Let no unwholesome word proceed from your mouth, but only such a word as is good for edification according to the need of the moment, so that it will give grace to those who hear.

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