

**CTK Community Group Sermon Discussion Questions & Announcements**  
**Week of 11/10/19**

Please take a few moments to share these announcements with members of your community group and take some time to pray for the life of the church. Thank you!

**Sermon Discussion Questions | [Romans 14:13-23](#)**

1. Can you think of an example of the kind of division that Paul is talking about here, where a cultural value is elevated to a spiritual value? Have you ever had the chance to welcome – or be welcomed by – Christians on the other side of such a disagreement?
2. How is *welcoming* someone with whom you disagree different from mere tolerance?
3. Why does Paul see such high stakes in this matter (v. 15, “...do not destroy the one for whom Christ died,” v. 20, “Do not... destroy the work of God.”)? How do we understand “destroy” alongside of the assurance of ch. 8 (e.g. vv. 38-39)?
4. Read Paul’s description of the kingdom of God (v. 17).
  - a. How should this affect the way we think about *service* in the church? (v. 18)
  - b. How does it help define “what makes for peace and for mutual upbuilding”? (v. 19)
5. How do we see Jesus embodying all that Paul commends here – so that we might derive hope from our union with him?
6. Spend some time praying for the work of God in the church –righteousness, peace, and joy in the Holy Spirit.

**Announcements**

- CTK’s sister church, Christ the Redeemer Quincy, is hosting a weekend seminar based on ***The Praying Life*** by Paul Miller. Many of us are quietly defeated in our private prayer lives. We’ve tried praying, but it just doesn’t seem to work. So we feel a combination of frustration and guilt. In this seminar, we will learn step-by-step how to begin a private life of prayer in fellowship with our heavenly Father.

The event will be held at Union Congregational Church, 136 Rawson Rd., Quincy, MA. The two sessions will be Friday, 11/15 at 5:30p (dinner included) and Saturday, 11/16 at 9a (breakfast included). Registration is \$20 and includes materials and meals. Register at [ctrquincy.org/events/the-praying-life-seminar](http://ctrquincy.org/events/the-praying-life-seminar).

- This fall, there will be a **Men’s Breakfast** in the social hall on the fourth Saturday the month. The next will be on November 23, from 8-10am. Come expecting to be challenged, ready to pray and fellowship with other men in our church. Please contact [rickdowns@ctkcambridge.org](mailto:rickdowns@ctkcambridge.org) if you would like to help out with the meal.