

Romans 16:17-20

Beware and Be Wise

1) Beware of Division-Causing Deceivers – v. 17-18

a) Warning

b) Division-Causing Deceivers

1. What

- Cause division
- Create obstacles
- Contrary to doctrine

2. How

- Talk
 - Twist Scripture – 1 Tim 1:5-7, 2 Pet 3:16-18
 - Use Religious Slogans – Col 2:20-23, 1 Cor 6:12,15
 - Distort Christian Truths – Rom 6:1,15
- Hearts

3. Why

c) Our Response

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2) Be Wise in addition to Being Obedient – v. 19

- a) Wise

- b) Innocent

3) The Result – v. 20

Praxis

1. How can we practically guard ourselves from getting taken in by Deceivers?
2. How would you go about responding to a fellow Christian who seems to be getting caught up in a “camp” contrary to Biblical Doctrine?
3. How do you tell the difference between a thing in which wisdom is needed versus a teaching / practice that is “*contrary to the doctrine that you have been taught*”?