

SACRIFICING FOR
THE WEAKER BROTHER
Romans 15:1-6

I. We Ought to Bear with the Scruples of the Weak - vs. 1a

Opheílō – to owe, that which is due, the debt; to have an obligation
(*present, active, indicative*)

Ephesians 5:28

Hebrews 5:3

Bastázō – carry, endure, provide for, support from beneath

Luke 7:14

Romans 11:18

Asthénēma - weakness, a failing; of error arising from weakness of mind

1 Corinthians 9:19-22

II. We are not Obligated to Please Ourselves, Rather to Please our Neighbor –
vs. 1b-2

Aréskō - to strive to please by accommodating one's self to the opinions
desires and interests of someone.

Philippians 2:19-23

Romans 14:19

Philippians 2:2-4

Ephesians 5:8-14

III. Sacrificing Like Christ - vs. 3

Philippians 2:2-8

Luke 22:41-44

Matthew 20:24-28

IV. Informed by the Scriptures, Leading to Hope – vs. 4

2 Timothy 3:16-17

Galatians 3:21-23

Romans 3:21-22a

Romans 14:16-19

V. Unity in the Truth of Jesus Christ – vs. 5-6

Phronéō - to hold a view or have an opinion with regard to something

Homothymadón - with one mind, with one accord, with one passion.

Romans 12:16

Philippians 1:27, 2:1-2

Ephesians 4:11-15

1 Peter 1:8

Closing Thought: We have an obligation to carry our weak minded brothers along, not pleasing ourselves with what we use our liberty to do, rather accommodating ourselves to their opinions. We are to sacrifice ourselves for their good, informing them and being informed by the Scriptures to focus on the hope that is in Jesus Christ.