



**GRIP**

**STRENGTHEN YOUR HOLD ON THE WORD OF GOD**

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# ***Decisions in Grey areas***

Romans 12:1- Don't let the word squeeze you into it's mold

Matt 5:13 – You are the salt of the earth. But if the salt loses it's saltiness, how can it be made salty again?

Don'ts	Grey areas	Do's

## 1. Dangers in grey areas

a. Everything becomes grey. Rom 1:32

b. Everything becomes black and white. Rom 14:1-8

c. Freedom becomes a cover up for evil.  
1 Pet 2:16, Gal 5:13

d. Legalism Gal 5:1-4

## 2. Principles for making decision in Grey areas

(I'm not free to do what I want)

a. Will this be habit forming? Will I become dependant or mastered? I Cor 6:12

b. Will this damage my body? – I Cor 6:19-20

c. Can I do this to the glory of God? Would God be ashamed of me if he were here? I Cor 10:31

d. What would Jesus do if he were here? – I John 2:6 (wine?)

e. Does this slow me down spiritually? – Heb 12:1

f. Does this cause me to lust? – 2Tim 2:22

g. Am I going against my conscience? – Rom 14:23

h. Will I cause another Christian to sin? – Rom 14:19-21

(not offend my brother) –(watch out for professional weaker brothers)

i. Am I disobeying authority? – Rom 13:1

## 3. Questions in Grey areas - Rom 14:1-15:3

a. What if my brother has more freedom than I?  
Rom 14:3-8

b. What if my brother has less?  
Rom 14:3-8

c. What if my freedom causes him to stumble?  
Rom 14:13-18

d. What if the disagreement is distracting us from more important things?  
Rom 14:19-23

e. What should be my attitude in Grey areas?  
Rom 15:1-7

