

Days 141-147 - Readings: New Testament +

Day	Reading	Family Focus
141	Romans 13	Romans 13:1-7
142	Romans 14	Romans 14:13-21
143	Romans 15	Romans 15:1-7
144	Romans 16	Romans 16:17-19
145	1Corinthians 1	1Corinthians 1:18-25
146	Psalms 69	Psalms 69:7-14
147	day off	

Look for this:

- **Romans 13:** Why people are to submit to the government
- **Romans 14:** How to treat disagreements which are non-essential
- **Romans 15:** What Paul asked the church at Rome to pray for
- **Romans 16:** How the church is to treat people who cause division
- **1Corinthians 1:** What God sent Paul to do instead of baptizing
- **Psalms 69:** Compare Psalm 69:9 to Romans 15:3

Tips:

- This week's reading clarifies how God wants us to behave as Christians including our responsibility to society (Rom 13), how we fit in with other Christians (Rom 14), and how we are to function in God's bigger plan (Rom 15).
- Our challenges today are similar to those that the Corinthians experienced. We have trouble getting "de-corinthianized" as we mimic the corrupt world around us (1John 2:15).
- 1Corinthians is one of Paul's letters to the church in Corinth. Paul had planted the church in this affluent, sinful Greek city (Acts 18:1-18) and wrote them after his departure (1Cor 5:9-11).

Unfortunately, sinful cultural influences and their spiritual immaturity required him to systematically address each church problem in this letter.