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Glorify God, Love Neighbor

1 Corinthians 10:23-11:1

Sometimes being a Christian is hard. Many issues believers encounter in life are addressed in God's word, however every single issue is not. What does a believer do in those instances? How does a believer decide about neutral areas of life? Using idol sacrifices as the background, these verses provide principles to help a believer make decisions which will glorify God and love neighbor.

Additional Verses:

Matthew 22:34-40

Romans 14:1-12, 23

Galatians 5:1

Philippians 2:3-4

Outline:

1. Does it violate Scripture? Obey what Scripture says.

2. Is this helpful? Do what is helpful.

3. Does this build up? Do what builds up.

4. Who's good does it seek? Seek the good of others.

Study Questions:

1. How would you define legalism and libertarianism? Why are both equally dangerous?

2. Why do you think people focus on the neutral "things" more than the plain teaching of Scripture? How does this relate to the "special knowledge" argument in chapter 8?

3. How do you apply these questions in your everyday life? Which one is easier and why?

4. Which one do you need more growth? How can you grow in that area?

5. How do these questions work together to help us make correct decisions in the neutral areas of life?

6. How is the Holy Spirit leading you to respond to God today?