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## DO YOU WANT TO MAKE A POINT OR MAKE A DIFFERENCE?

**1 Corinthians 8.1-13**

**The Grey Area:** Eating food sacrificed to idols

What Paul could have said:

What Guided Paul: **LOVE**

*For the entire law is fulfilled in keeping this one command: "Love your neighbor as yourself."*  
Galatians 5.14

**L** **LIVE** through **CHRIST**, **LOVE** through **CHRIST** v6

*...there is but one Lord, Jesus Christ, through whom all things came and through whom we live.*  
1 Corinthians 8.6b

**O** **OVERSEE PRIDE** in Your Life v1-2.

*Live in harmony with one another. Do not be proud, but be willing to associate with people of low position. Do not be conceited.*  
Romans 12.16

*Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud.*  
1 Corinthians 13.4

**V**

**VALUE OTHERS** above **YOURSELF**

*I will never eat meat again, so that I will not cause them to fall.* v13

*Do nothing out of selfish ambition or vain conceit. Rather, in humility **value others above yourselves**, not looking to your own interests but each of you to the interests of the others....* Philipians 2.3-4

*You, my brothers and sisters, were called to be free. But do not use your freedom to indulge the flesh; rather, **serve one another** humbly in love.*  
Galatians 5.13 13

**E**

**EXPAND** Your **KNOWLEDGE** of Christ

*But **grow** in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ...*  
2 Peter 3.18

*We continually ask God to fill you with the knowledge of his will through all the wisdom and understanding that the Spirit gives, so that you may live a life worthy of the Lord and please him in every way: bearing fruit in every good work, **growing in the knowledge of God...***  
Colossians 1.9-10

*"There is no faithfulness, no love, no acknowledgment of God in the land.... **my people are destroyed from lack of knowledge.***

Hosea 4.1, 6

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What is God saying to me?

What am I going to do about it?