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THE GOSPEL OF PAUL



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14:14-23

GOVERNED BY LOVE

Mk 7:18-19 LSB

**“Do you not understand that whatever goes into the man from outside cannot defile him, because it does not go into his heart, but into his stomach, and goes to the sewer?”
(Thus He declared all foods clean.)**



**The issue is not in food
or in beverage, but in each
believer's conscience.**



**Not convicted isn't
the same thing as
God-permitted.**



Titus 1:15

**“To the pure all things are pure,
but to those who are defiled and
unbelieving nothing is pure; but
even their mind and conscience
are defiled.”**



Ex 29:37 HCSB

“For seven days you must make atonement for the altar and consecrate it. The altar will become especially holy; whatever touches the altar will become holy.”



**Love is cautious with
another's conscience.**



1 Cor 11:21-22

“..when you come together, it is not really to eat the Lord’s Supper. 21 For at the meal, each one eats his own supper ahead of others. So one person is hungry while another gets drunk!

(HCSB)



1 Cor 11:21-22

22 Don't you have houses to eat and drink in? Or do you look down on the church of God and embarrass those who have nothing?"

(HCSB)



**Maturity comes with
the responsibility to
be exemplary.**



1 Cor 10:24

**“No one should seek his own good,
but the good of others.”**

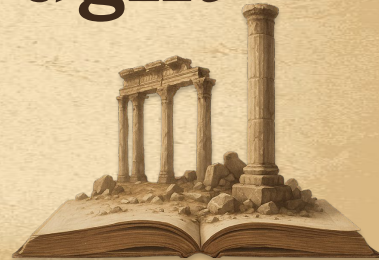


The mature are not the ones who flaunt their freedoms the loudest, but the ones who see 'weakness' and choose to be harmless.



1 Cor 8:1-3

“We know that we all have knowledge. Knowledge puffs up, but love edifies. 2 And if anyone thinks that he knows anything, he knows nothing yet as he ought to know..”



1 Cor 8:1-3

**3 But if anyone loves God,
this one is known by Him.”**



**If your 'freedom' costs
someone else their
footing, it isn't something
you should be doing.**



