



1 Corinthians

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Are we Free in Christ?

What does Christian Freedom look like?

Where do I stand?

How is God leading me to respond?

1. Are we Free in Christ?

Romans 7:6

"But now, by dying to what once bound us, we have been released from the law so that we serve in the new way of the Spirit, and not in the old way of the written code."

John 8:36

"So if the Son sets you free, you will be free indeed."

2 Corinthians 3:17

"Now the Lord is the Spirit, and where the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom."

Galatians 5:13

"You, my brothers and sisters, were called to be free..."

1 Corinthians 9:19

"Though I am free and belong to no one..."

2. What does Christian Freedom look like?

Galatians 5:13

"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."

1 Corinthians 9:19

“Though I am free and belong to no one, I have made myself a slave to everyone, to win as many as possible.”

Romans 3:31

“Do we, then, nullify the law by this faith? Not at all! Rather, we uphold the law.”

1 Corinthians 10:23-32

*“I have the right to do anything,” you say—**but not everything is beneficial.** “I have the right to do anything”—**but not everything is constructive. No one should seek their own good, but the good of others.***

Eat anything sold in the meat market without raising questions of conscience, for, “The earth is the Lord’s, and everything in it.”

If an unbeliever invites you to a meal and you want to go, eat whatever is put before you without raising questions of conscience. But if someone says to you, “This has been offered in sacrifice,” then do not eat it, both for the sake of the one who told you and for the sake of conscience. I am referring to the other person’s conscience, not yours. For why is my freedom being judged by another’s conscience? If I take part in the meal with thankfulness, why am I denounced because of something I thank God for?

*So whether you eat or drink or whatever you do, do it all for the glory of God. **Do not cause anyone to stumble, whether Jews, Greeks or the church of God.**”*

3. Where do I Stand?

-Are you the type of person that sits on the sidelines and enjoys watching people STUMBLE?

-Are you the type of person that is intentionally causing people to STUMBLE?

-Are you the type of person that puts others first, helping those around you to NOT STUMBLE?

1 Corinthians 10:31-33

*“So whether you eat or drink or whatever you do, do it all for the glory of God. **Do not cause anyone to stumble, whether Jews, Greeks or the church of God—** even as I try to please everyone in every way. **For I am not seeking my own good but the good of many, so that they may be saved.**”*

4. How is God leading me to respond?