

# 1 CORINTHIANS 10:23-33 | WHAT TO DO IN GRAY AREA ISSUES

**MAIN IDEA:** LIBERTY OPERATING WITHIN LOVE.

**1. JUST BECAUSE YOU'RE \_\_\_\_\_ TO DO SOMETHING \_\_\_\_\_**

**MEAN \_\_\_\_\_.**

NOTES:

*"A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another: just as I have loved you, you also are to love one another." (John 13:34)*

*"Greater love has no one than this, that someone lay down his life for his friends." (John 15:13)*

*"Do not, for the sake of food, destroy the work of God. Everything is indeed clean, but it is wrong for anyone to make another stumble by what he eats. It is good not to eat meat or drink wine or do anything that causes your brother to stumble. The faith that you have, keep between yourself and God. Blessed is the one who has no reason to pass judgment on himself for what he approves. But whoever has doubts is condemned if he eats, because the eating is not from faith. For whatever does not proceed from faith is sin." (Romans 14:20-23)*

**2. EVERY DECISION IS AN \_\_\_\_\_ TO \_\_\_\_\_**

**AND \_\_\_\_\_.**

NOTES:

*"You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hidden. Nor do people light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven." Matthew 5:14-16*



## **6 QUESTIONS TO ASK YOURSELF WITH GRAY AREAS ISSUES:**

1. Will it benefit me spiritually? (v 23)
2. Will it help build others up? (v 24)
3. Will it violate my conscience or someone else's conscience? (v 25-29)
4. Will it cause confusion (about who God is or what a Christian is)? (v 28)
5. Will it bring God glory? (v 31)
6. Will it bring others to faith in Christ? (v 32-33)

*"For the LORD God is a sun and shield; the LORD bestows favor and honor. No good thing does he withhold from those who walk uprightly." Psalm 84:11*

### ADDITIONAL NOTES:

### **Life Group/Family Discussion:**

1. What are some gray areas where you are either too legalistic or too licentious?
2. In what areas of your life do you think aren't "shining God's light" as bright (ex: home, work, school, etc)? What are two steps you can make this week to be a better witness?
3. Read Romans 14. Have you ever made another brother or sister in Christ stumble because of your actions? If so, have you asked for their forgiveness?
4. How does Romans 14 and 1 Corinthians 10:23-33 change the way you may view or treat other believers with different convictions than yours?

