"MEAT SACRIFICED TO IDOLS & CHRISTIAN LIBERTY" I CORINTHIANS 8:1-13

I. KNOWLEDGE ALONE IS INSUFFICIENT TO SOLVE THIS DILEMMA (8:1-2)

- A. Because All Christians Can Claim Some Knowledge (8:1a)
- B. Because Knowledge Tends To Puff Up (8:1b)
- C. Because Knowledge Is Actually Never Complete (8:2)

II. LOVE IS THE CONTROLLING FACTOR & ONLY PROPER BASIS FOR DECISION MAKING IN THIS REALM (8:3)

III. SOME KNOWLEDGE IS NECESSARY THOUGH FOR VALID DECISION MAKING (8:4-6)

- A. We Know That An Idol Is Nothing (8:4a)
- B. We Know There Is Only One God (8:4b)
- C. We Know That Just Because Something Is Given A Name That Does Not Automatically Designate Reality (8:5-6)

IV. KNOWLEDGE AND LOVE MUST FUNCTION TOGETHER IN A SYMBIOTIC RELATIONSHIP (8:7-13)

- A. To Be Aware Of The Weak Conscience (8:7-8)
- B. To Demonstrate Deference (Respect) Toward The Weak Conscience (8:9-11)
- C. To Avoid Sinning Against The Weak Conscience (8:12-13)

THE CHRISTIAN CONSCIENCE AND THE TWENTIETH CENTURY FACTOR

- I. THE COMPLETE LIBERALIZATION OF ALL THE MAINLINE PROTESTANT DENOMINATIONS
- II. THE EVANGELICAL EFFORT TO BRIDGE FUNDAMENTALISM WITH LIBERALISM
- III. THE WIDE SPREAD PROMOTION OF EVANGELISM THROUGH ASSOCIATION WITH THE WORLD
- IV. THE INTENSIVE STUDY OF CROSS CULTURAL MISSIONS
 - V. THE POST WORLD WAR TWO WEALTH OF WESTERN CIVILIZATION
- VI. THE PHENOMENON OF TELEVISION
- VII. THE EROSION OF RESPECT FOR AUTHORITY COMBINED WITH THE GLORIFICATION OF INDIVIDUALITY
- VIII. THE MOBILITY OF OUR CONTEMPORARY SOCIETY AS OPPOSED TO THE MORE PROVINCIAL WAY OF LIFE WHICH HAD BEEN THE NORM