

"SENSUAL SEDUCTION AND TESTING CHRIST"

I CORINTHIANS 10:8-9

I. WHEN CONSIDERING DEBATABLE MATTERS, CHRISTIANS SHOULD CONSIDER THE POSSIBILITY OF BEING SEDUCED BY THE SENSUAL (10:8)

- A. An Assessment Of Israel's Ancient Problem With The Moabites As Recorded In Numbers 23 - 25
 - 1. Israel Was Seduced & Subsequently Committed Fornication With The Daughters Of Moab
 - 2. Israel Became Willing to Sit Down And Eat With The Moabites
 - 3. Israel Adopted The Gods Of Moab
- B. The Potential Corinthian Parallel Involved The Fact That Pagan Corinthian Worship Involved Sensuality
 - 1. The Corinthian Christians Might Eat Food Sacrificed To Idols
 - 2. The Corinthian Christians Might Be Seduced By The Negative Association

II. WHEN CONSIDERING DEBATABLE MATTERS, CHRISTIANS SHOULD CONSIDER THE DANGEROUS POSSIBILITY OF PUTTING CHRIST TO THE TEST (10:9)

- A. An Assessment Of The Historical Contexts Of Numbers 21 & Psalm 78
 - 1. Israel Became Discouraged Because Of The Rigors Of The Journey (Numbers 21:4)
 - 2. This Discouragement Caused Israel To Speak Against God, Against Divinely Appointed Leadership & Against God's Provision (Numbers 21:5)
- B. The Potential Corinthian Parallel Lay In The Fact That They Might Have Put Christ To The Test, When Out Of Discouragement With The Rigors Of Christian Discipleship, They Expressed Their Displeasure