

3611 E. County Line Rd., Lutz, FL 33559



Annual Benefit Dinner & Silent Auction Saturday, May 25, 2024

> Location: Creekside Church of Christ 3949 Lithia Pinecrest Road Valrico, FL 33596

Silent Auction 5:00pm Dinner 6:00pm Dinner Sign-Up Due May 15 Auction Donations Due May 19

See Byron or Sandy Boyer for tickets or information.

Interactive Prayer Workshop, Wednesday, May 22nd, 7 p.m.

• Open your Bible-read with an eye for <u>praise</u>, <u>response</u>, <u>requests</u>, and <u>readiness</u> (Upward, Downward, Inward, Outward)

Pray the Scripture out loud (look in the Epistles)

# My Convictions & My Relationships

### May 19, 2024

### 1 Corinthians 8:1–13 (NIV)

<sup>1</sup> Now about food sacrificed to idols: We know that "We all possess knowledge." But knowledge puffs up while love builds up. <sup>2</sup> Those who think they know something do not yet know as they ought to know. <sup>3</sup> But whoever loves God is known by God.

<sup>4</sup> So then, about eating food sacrificed to idols: We know that "An idol is nothing at all in the world" and that "There is no God but one." <sup>5</sup> For even if there are so-called gods, whether in heaven or on earth (as indeed there are many "gods" and many "lords"), <sup>6</sup> yet for us there is but one God, the Father, from whom all things came and for whom we live; and there is but one Lord, Jesus Christ, through whom all things came and through whom we live.

<sup>7</sup> But not everyone possesses this knowledge. Some people are still so accustomed to idols that when they eat sacrificial food they think of it as having been sacrificed to a god, and since their conscience is weak, it is defiled. <sup>8</sup> But food does not bring us near to God; we are no worse if we do not eat, and no better if we do.

<sup>9</sup> Be careful, however, that the exercise of your rights does not become a stumbling block to the weak. <sup>10</sup> For if someone with a weak conscience sees you, with all your knowledge, eating in an idol's temple, won't that person be emboldened to eat what is sacrificed to idols? <sup>11</sup> So this weak brother or sister, for whom Christ died, is destroyed by your knowledge. <sup>12</sup> When you sin against them in this way and wound their weak conscience, you sin against Christ. <sup>13</sup> Therefore, if what I eat causes my brother or sister to fall into sin, I will never eat meat again, so that I will not cause them to fall.

### Three Kinds of Convictions

1. \_\_\_\_\_ l convictions

2. \_\_\_\_\_ convictions

### Philippians 3:10–11 (NIV)

<sup>10</sup>I want to know Christ—yes, to know the power of his resurrection and participation in his sufferings, becoming like him in his death, <sup>11</sup> and so, somehow, attaining to the resurrection from the dead.

### 3. \_\_\_\_\_ convictions

### Romans 13:5 (NIV)

<sup>5</sup>Therefore, it is necessary to submit to the authorities, not only because of possible punishment but also because of conscience.

### Lessons from I Corinthians 8

### A. Knowledge \_\_\_\_\_. (vs. 1)

"Now about food sacrificed to idols: We know that we all possess knowledge. Knowledge puffs up, but love builds up."

### B. Knowledge has \_\_\_\_\_. (vs. 2)

"The man who thinks he knows something does not yet know as he ought to know."

### C. Knowledge doesn't always bring \_\_\_\_\_ (vs. 3)

"But the man who loves God is known by God."

### D. True "agape" love is \_\_\_\_\_. (vs. 9-10)

"Be careful, however, that the exercise of your freedom does not become a stumbling block to the weak. For if anyone with a weak conscience sees you who have this knowledge eating in an idol's temple, won't he be emboldened to eat what has been sacrificed to idols?"

### E. True "agape" love is \_\_\_\_\_\_. (vs. 11-13)

"So this weak brother, for whom Christ died, is destroyed by your knowledge. When you sin against your brothers in this way and wound their weak conscience, you sin against Christ. Therefore, if what I eat causes my brother to fall into sin, I will never eat meat again, so that I will not cause him to fall."

# Questions we must ask about the "gray" areas of our life...

1. Does it \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_?

Ephesians 4:3 (NIV)

<sup>3</sup> Make every effort to keep the unity of the Spirit through the bond of peace.

**Ephesians 4:29 (NIV)**<sup>29</sup>Do not let any unwholesome talk come out of your mouths, but only what is helpful for building others up according to their needs, that it may benefit those who listen.

### 2. Can it lead to \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_

**1 Corinthians 6:12 (NIV)** <sup>12</sup>"Everything is permissible for me"—but not everything is beneficial. "Everything is permissible for me"—but I will not be mastered by anything.

### 3. Does it conflict with my \_\_\_\_\_

**1 Timothy 1:5 (NIV)** <sup>5</sup>The goal of this command is love, which comes from a pure heart and a good conscience and a sincere faith.

### 4. Will it cause \_\_\_\_

(I Corinthians 8)

### Life Groups "Return to Disciple Making" Lesson 6 "From Striving to Thriving"

Using your phone camera, focus on the QR code below. Click yellow wording "Right Now Media." Click "Open" or "Group" and see study guide for Lesson 6.

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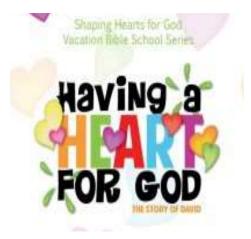
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There are all kinds of ways to get involved and help us make this our best VBS ever!

Prepare Visual Aids Organize Materials Decorate Classrooms Prepare Snacks Build Scenes for Storytelling Set-Up/Breakdown Teach and Assist Greeters



July 8 –12 9:00am to Noon Kids ages 2 through 5th Grade

Contact the Children's Ministry Co-Leaders Kristi Chatham Vikki Minor



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## THOSE WHO SERVE

Worship	May 19	May 19	May 26	May 26
Assignment	1st Service	2nd Service	1st Service	2nd Service
Coordinator	Bob	Bill	John	Peter
	Ray	Hemphill	Love	Franco
Usher	Mike	Mike	Nick	Mark
	McLane	McLane	Spishock	Cravens
Greeting & Announcements	John Shackelford	John Shackelford	John Shackelford	John Shackelford
Scripture Reading Opening Prayer	Lance Baker	Logan Pomerenke	Mike Stone	Steve Dumas
Communion & Offering	Dennis Briggs	Neil Pomerenke	Richard Hammonds	Bill Collett
Closing	David	Ron	Capell	Carl
Prayer	Tomlinson	Moore	Griffin	House
Nursery	Bethany Harris	Caroline Dumas	Alexis Jennings	Charlotte Kent
	Nancy Pharr	LeeAndra Griffin	Heather Stone	Cindy Shackelford
Children's Church	Jason & Stephanie Smith	Jason & Stephanie Smith	Eric & Vikki Minor	Eric & Vikki Minor
Coffee	John	Caroline	Charlotte	Janelle
Ministry	Shackelford	Dumas	Kent	Hughes
Greeters	Linda Vines	Linda Vines	Linda Vines	Linda Vines
	Stacy	Lupe	Nancy	Lupe
	Myers	Runions	Pharr	Runions