## Personal Application and Conversations

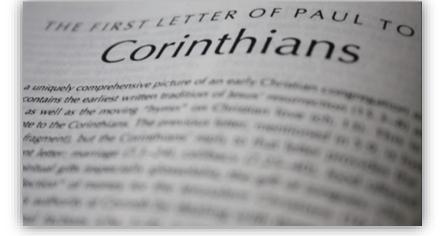
1. Describe a time when your appearance made you feel out of place for the situation.

2. How are you with church rules or expectations?

3. Talk about how matters of conscience and conviction have been shaped throughout your journey as a follower of Christ.

4. How do you respond to fellow believers whose conscience seems to be weaker than yours?

5. When have you sacrificed your freedom in Christ in order to keep from destroying someone for whom Christ died?



## **Glad You Asked**

## I Corinthians 8

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K Paul, we've got a lot of questions, and we need to hear from you to help us sort out some sticky issues. We are divided over so many things. The problem is, it's threatening all our relationships with each other. Well, Paul could not just pop over across the Aegean Sea for a weekend seminar. Instead, he wrote them this letter that in principle is a guide as to how Christians in every generation should act in front of each other. You may be filled with knowledge, but *it is love that builds up the church.* 

## Your question: should we eat food already offered to idols?

• What's the big deal?

What does conscience have to do with it?

• What's the broader issue and what's at stake?

• What do we know for certain?

• What does God want us to do with similar issues?