

The Borders of Liberty (pts. 4+5)

a study of 1 Cor. 10:1-11:1

I. Introduction

1. In **verses 1-13**, Paul describes the *privileges of liberty* (**vv. 1-4**), the *misuses of liberty* (**vv. 5-10**), and the *lessons of Liberty* (**vv. 11-13**)
2. In **verses 14-22**, Paul explains why Christians are *not free* to have anything to do with idols
3. In **verses 23-11:1**, Paul makes his impassioned plea for Christians to use their Liberty for God's glory in the maturing of the saints and the bringing of the Gospel to the lost.

II. The Privileges of Liberty

1. As ancient Israel was _____ from Egypt, the Christian is freed from _____'s power
2. As ancient Israel was to be identified with their leader _____, the Christian is under their head, which is _____
3. As ancient Israel was given spiritual sustenance by _____, so is the Christian today

III. The Misuses of Liberty

1. The Israelites _____ God in multiple sinful ways that the Corinthians should have learned from
 - i. (vv. 5-7) _____
 - ii. (v. 8) _____ Immorality
 - iii. (vv. 9) _____ God
 - iv. (v. 10) _____

IV. The Lessons of Liberty

1. _____-confidence leads to spiritual calamity

V. Flee from Idolatry

1. Have _____ to do with the celebration of demons and the worship thereunto

VI. Honor God in Your Liberty

1. All things God has not specifically forbidden might not be _____, but they will not all lead you _____
2. You do not have to adjust your _____ for others, but we willing to adjust your _____ for the sake of others
3. Use your liberty to _____—always
4. Is your lifestyle Godly enough for you to encourage others to follow in your _____?

VII. Conclusion

1. We must ask ourselves “Am I using my freedom to honor God”?
2. We must ask ourselves “Is my freedom being used to edify others”?
3. We must ask ourselves “Is my life living proof of the fruit of the Gospel”?

Answer Key:

I. Introduction

II. (vv. 1-4) The Privileges of Liberty

1. (vv. 1) As ancient Israel was FREED from Egypt, the Christian is freed from SATAN's power
2. (vv. 2) As ancient Israel was to be identified with their leader MOSES, the Christian is under their head, which is CHRIST
3. (vv. 3-4) As ancient Israel was given spiritual sustenance by CHRIST, so is the Christian today

III. (vv. 5-10) The Misuses of Liberty

1. The Israelites DISHONORED God in multiple sinful ways that the Corinthians should have learned from
 - i. (vv. 5-7) IDOLATRY
 - ii. (v. 8) SEXUAL Immorality
 - iii. (vv. 9) TEMPTING God
 - iv. (v. 10) COMPLAINING

IV. (vv. 11-13) The Lessons of Liberty

1. SELF-confidence leads to spiritual calamity

V. (vv. 14-22) Flee from Idolatry

1. Have NOTHING to do with the celebration of demons and the worship thereunto

VI. (vv. 23-33) Honor God in Your Liberty

1. All things God has not specifically forbidden might not be SIN, but they will not all lead you UPWARD
2. (vv. 28-30) You do not have to adjust your CONSCIENCE for others, but we willing to adjust your CONDUCT for the sake of others
3. (vv. 31-33) Use your liberty to GLORIFY GOD—always
4. (11:1) Is your lifestyle Godly enough for you to encourage others to follow in your EXAMPLE?

VII. Conclusion