

**1 Corinthians...*To The Church* – Food Fights Part 8**  
**1 Corinthians 8**  
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“Knowledge puffs up, but love builds up.” (1 Corinthians 8:3)

- It’s not always about what you know, but how you love the person God has placed in front of you.

“Love is patient and kind... It is not arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way.” (1 Corinthians 13:4-5)

- Our knowledge has to be tempered by humility, shaped by love, and acted upon with grace.

**KEEP THE PEACE**

“Know this my beloved brothers and sisters: let every person be quick to hear, slow to speak, slow to anger.” (James 1:19)

- What can I say or do to build up this beloved brother with whom I disagree? How can I point them to Jesus even if I cannot convince them of my position?

**LOVE SACRIFICIALLY**

“Take care that this right of yours does not somehow become a stumbling block to the weak... If food makes my brother stumble, I will never eat meat, lest I make my brother stumble.” (1 Corinthians 8:9, 13)

- This is not political correctness. God’s not worried that someone might be offended. He’s concerned that the way you behave might cause a fellow believer to stumble off the path of life.
- Instead of demanding your rights, lay them down if it means strengthening the faith of another believer.

