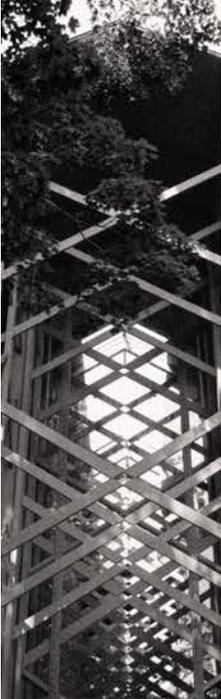


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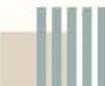


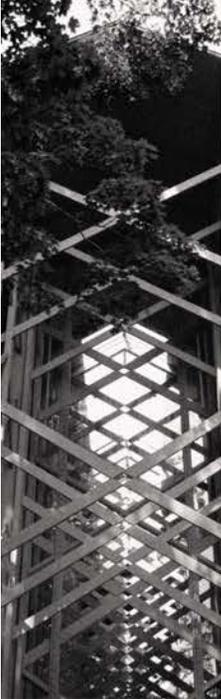


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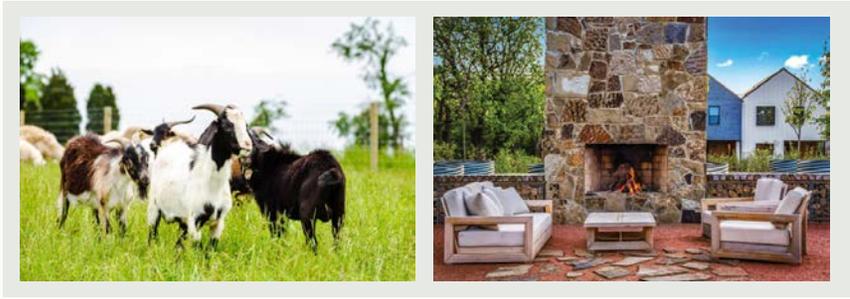


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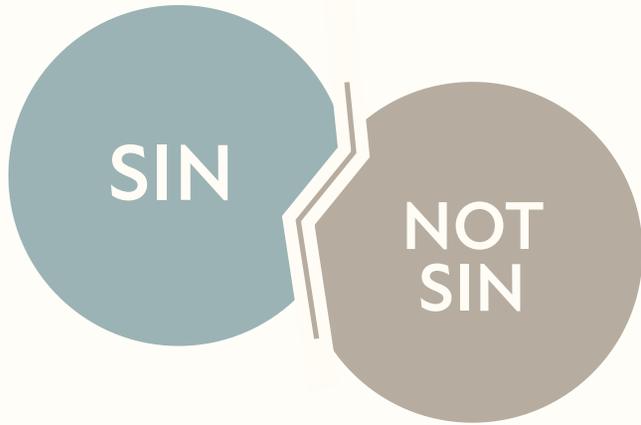
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### 1 Corinthians 8:4-6 <sup>NIV</sup>

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.



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### 1 Corinthians 8:7-8 <sup>NIV</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.





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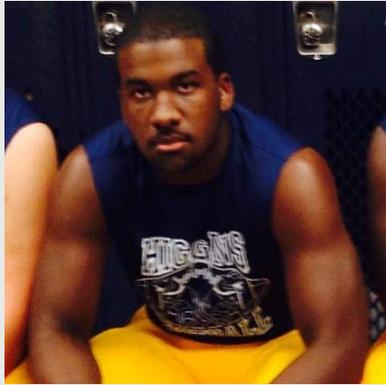


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Be willing to lay down your rights

### 1 Corinthians 8:9-12 <sup>NIV</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.



AS A FOLLOWER OF JESUS,  
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### 1 Corinthians 8:13 <sup>NIV</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.

### Philippians 2:5-8 <sup>NIV</sup>

In your relationships with one another, have the same mindset as Christ Jesus: <sup>6</sup> Who, being in very nature God, **did not consider equality with God something to be used to his own advantage;** <sup>7</sup> rather, he made himself nothing by taking the very nature of a servant, being made in human likeness. <sup>8</sup> And being found in appearance as a man, he humbled himself by becoming obedient to death—even death on a cross!