

**1 Corinthians**  
**Chapter 8:1-13**

Chapter 8 begins the fourth theme of the book, use of liberties, that continues through 11:1

1. Why does knowledge puff up and did all the Corinthians have that knowledge (8:1, 7)?
2. Why is following love informed by knowledge better than following knowledge alone (8:1)?
3. What does it mean to be “known of God” (8:3; cf. Matt. 7:21-23)?
4. Search Scripture and be prepared to discuss the “nothingness” of idols (8:4).
5. What struggle did some Christians have with regard to idols and what problem did that cause (8:7)?
6. When does the eating of meat cause one to be defiled or perish (8:8, 11)?
7. Is Paul stating you can eat in an idol's temple as long as other Christians do not see you do it (8:10; cf. 10:14–22)? If so, what implication does this have on any behavior?