



DIRTY CHURCH

PART 2

Dead Idol Meat

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1. What do you think are the most difficult decisions we have to make as Christians living in un-Christian 21st-century America?

2. Do you think it's right or wrong for a Christian to celebrate Halloween? Attend a gay wedding? Use preferred pronouns? Watch certain movies? Why or why not?

3. Try to place yourself in the shoes of a member of the Corinthian church. Would you have felt free to eat meat sacrificed to idols or not? What are some reasons not to do it? What are some reasons to feel free to do it?

4. Share (or think about) a decision you're facing in the days ahead. What theological truths help you make the decision? If you were going to consider the decision Christianly instead of merely pragmatically, what facts about God and his world would push you in one direction or another?

5. What kinds of issues should we consider as not right or wrong, but "adiaphora" (indifferent) in God's eyes? What's the danger in considering too few in this category? What's the danger in considering too many in this category?

6. Why do we find it so difficult to give up our personal freedoms for the sake of loving our brothers and sisters in Christ? What would make it easier?
