

INTRODUCTION:

1. ARE YOU PUFFED UP OR BUILDING UP (8:1-3)?

a. What is the *context* of Paul's statement?

b. Paul laid the foundation in edification (8:1).

c. Paul corrects the Corinthians' false notion (8:2).

d. Paul clarifies the true mark of a Christian (8:3).

2. WHAT DOES LOVE HAVE TO DO WITH PAUL'S ARGUMENT ABOUT FOOD OFFERED TO IDOLS?

3. APPLICATIONS:

(1) Knowledge of the Bible must always be to know God through Christ Jesus.

(2) Knowledge of Christ must always guide us to love of and obedience to God.

(3) Knowledge of God must always guide us to love His people.

(4) Loving God's people means caring for their conscience—weak or strong.

CONCLUSION: