

1 Corinthians 8:1-13

HOLINESS IN FREEDOM: THE WEAK

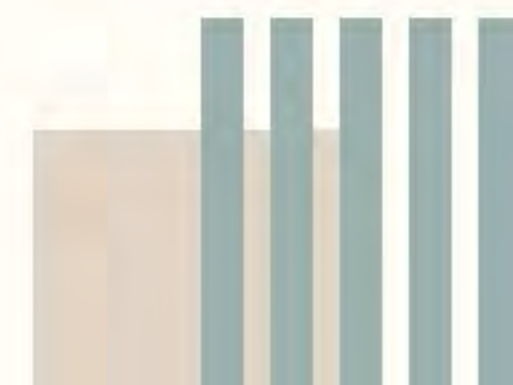




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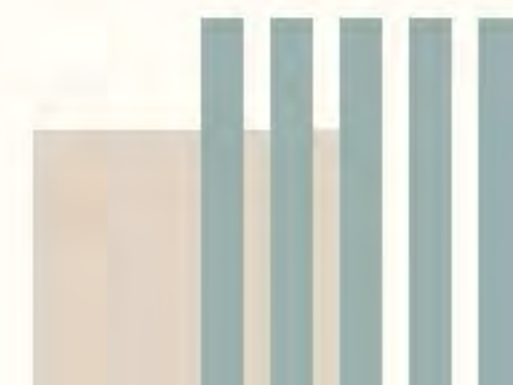




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AS A FOLLOWER OF JESUS, CAN I _____ ?



1 Corinthians 8:1-3 ^{NIV}

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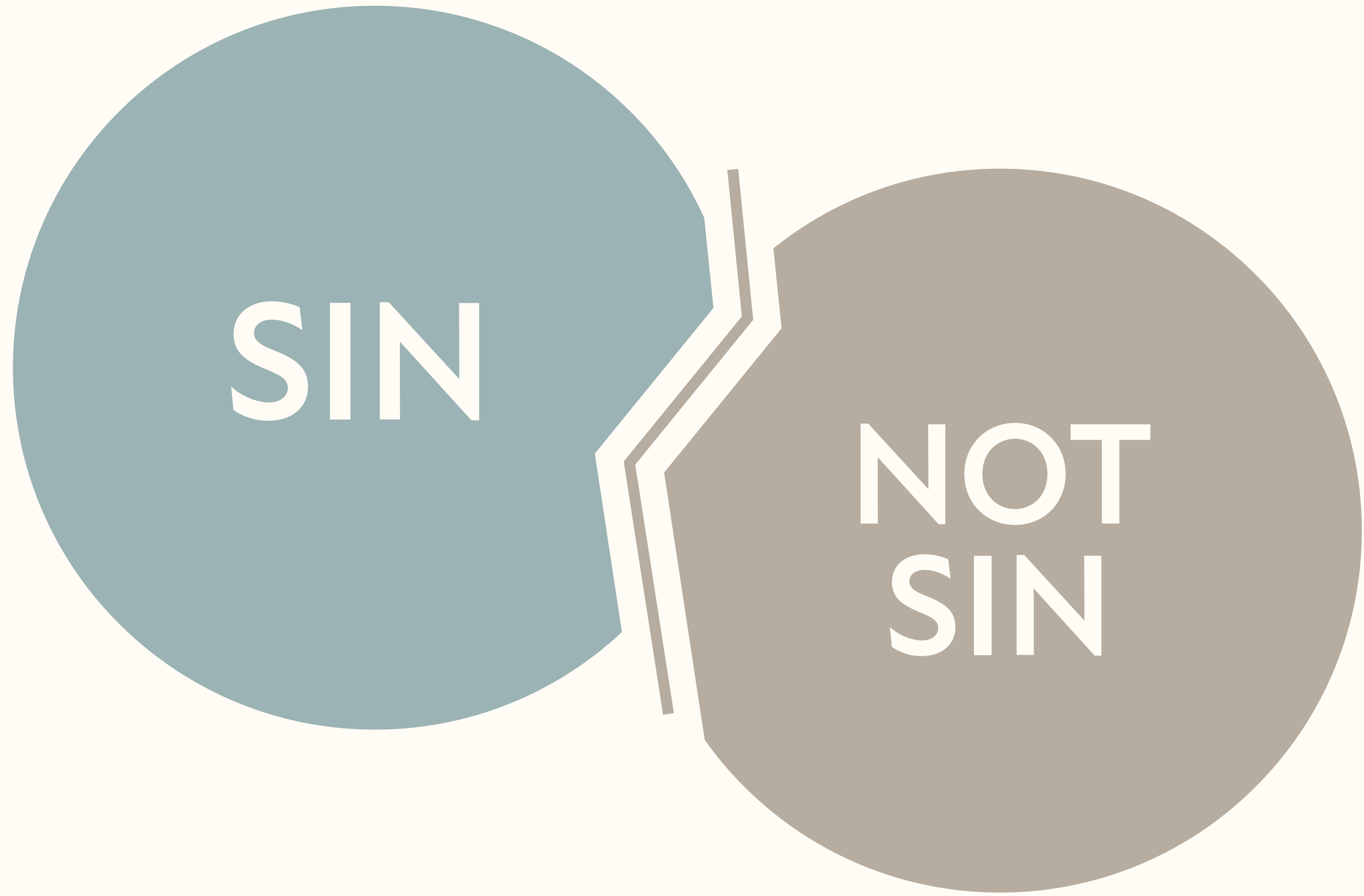
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Identify the issue

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Remember knowledge & love

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Identify the issue

Remember knowledge & love

Seek the truth from Scripture

1 Corinthians 8:4-6 ^{NIV}

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.” ⁵ For even if there are so-called gods, whether in heaven or on earth (as indeed there are many “gods” and many “lords”), ⁶ 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.





FOLLOWING JESUS IN THE GREY

Identify the issue
Remember knowledge & love
Seek the truth from Scripture
Remember your brothers & sisters

1 Corinthians 8:7-8 ^{NIV}

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.** ⁸ 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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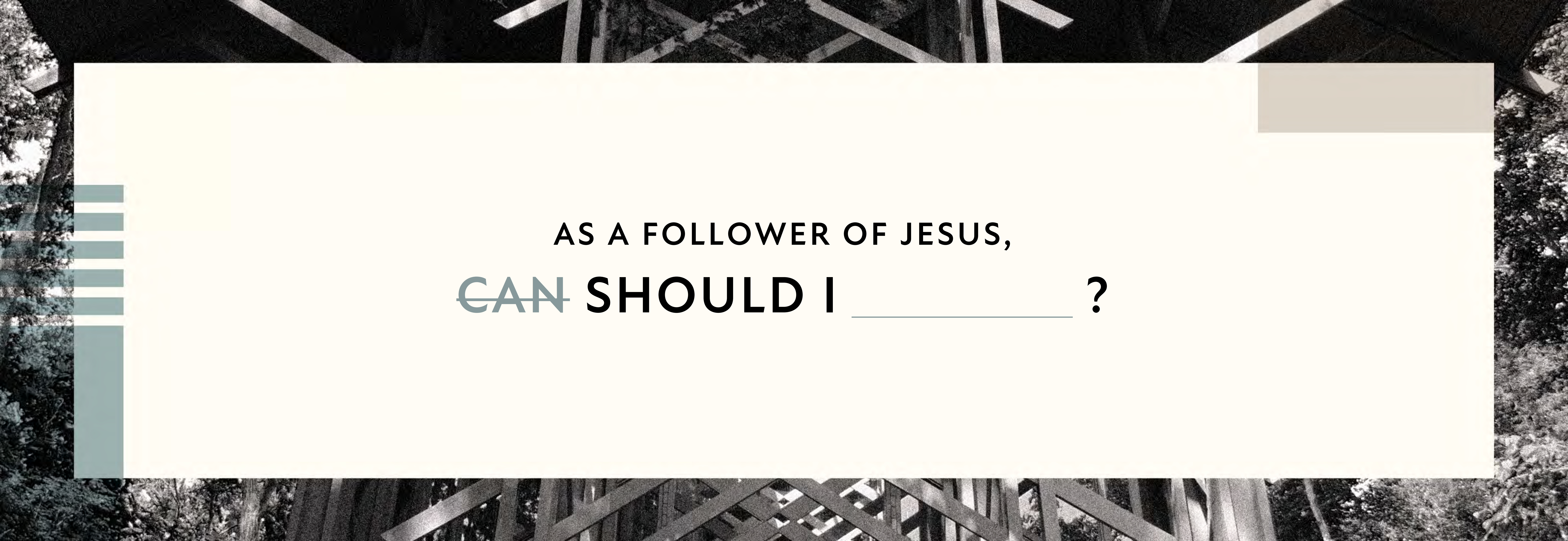


FOLLOWING JESUS IN THE GREY

Identify the issue
Remember knowledge & love
Seek the truth from Scripture
Remember your brothers & sisters
Be willing to lay down your rights

1 Corinthians 8:9-12 ^{NIV}

Be careful, however, that the exercise of your rights does not become a stumbling block to the weak. ¹⁰ 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? ¹¹ **So this weak brother or sister, for whom Christ died, is destroyed by your knowledge.** ¹² **When you sin against them in this way and wound their weak conscience, you sin against Christ.**



AS A FOLLOWER OF JESUS,
~~CAN~~ SHOULD I _____ ?



1 Corinthians 8:13 ^{NIV}

So this weak brother or sister, **for whom Christ died**, is destroyed by your knowledge. ¹² When you sin against them in this way and wound their weak conscience, you sin against Christ. ¹³ 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 ^{NIV}

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