2023-2024 Fall Quarter Unit III: Christ Frees, Law Enslaves

Liberty, Not License Bible Background: 1 Corinthians 8; 10:23-11:1 Printed Text: 1 Corinthians 10:23-33; 11:1 KJV/NIV Devotional Reading: James 1:19-27

Prayer: Our one and only merciful and loving God, we worship You in spirit and truth. Thank You for the guiding influence of the Holy Ghost. We recognize that we are far from perfect, yet it is in our will not to become stumbling blocks for others. Forgive us for our sins and awaken us to habits that are not in Your will so that we are forever mindful and operate in awareness as examples to others. In Jesus' name we pray. Amen

Unifying Lesson Principle:

- 1. To take a stand for "freedom" challenges us to relate to others in a responsible way. *How can our freedom lead us to respect and accept the freedom of others?* The first letter to the Corinthians encourages Christians to honor and respect others in their choices and glorify God in whatever they do.
 - a. What false gods are blocking my freedom in Christ? -(v. 23)
 - b. Have I made a vow to God I didn't keep? Deuteronomy 23:21; Ecclesiastes 5:1-7

Devotional Reading: *Thursday:* The Perfect Law of Liberty – James 1:19-27

Am I hearing the word of God and not doing or am I doing what I want because I'm barely hearing? – Romans 2:11-13

Exposition and Application of the Scripture: - Strength in the Lord - 1 Corinthians 10:23-11:1

A. What Christians Can Do (vv. 23-24)

- How am I spiritually improving others? 1 Corinthians 6:12
- What three (3) types of evaluations should be made prior to making decisions? (**pg. 121**)
- Are my actions showing love and concern for others, or predominately what's in my best interest? Romans 12:1-21

B. What Christians Should Do (vv. 25-30)

- Am I taking advantage of interacting with non-believers? Luke 10:7-8
- Do I let their ways influence my walk with Christ? Psalm 24:1-5
- Do I know where to draw the line with interaction? Romans 14:5-13

C. Why Should They Do It? (vv. 31-11:1)

- What three (3) spirits should influence my heart's decisions? (pg. 123)
- Am I doing "church" things that benefit no one and doesn't edify God? Colossians 3:15-17
- Is my glorifying God drawing others to Him? Romans 15:1-7; Philippians 2:1-4