

LOVE OVER FREEDOM

As preached on Sunday, January 31st

Read: 1 Corinthians 8:1-13

1. How central is freedom to our life together in the United States of America?
2. What personal freedoms are most important to you? Why?
3. As you read through details of the situation in Corinth, what is your opinion of the conflict? Can you see why each group is upset?
4. Since meat sacrificed to idols is no longer an issue in our culture, what do you think an equivalent issue is? What is the “strong” position? What is the “weak” position?
5. Have you ever chosen to limit your freedoms out of love for another? In what way? How did it feel to do so?
6. Take a moment to read 1 Corinthians 10:23-11:1. How does Paul’s message there fit with what he’s said in chapter 8? Does it contradict it or strengthen it?
7. What does “life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness” look like when it is tempered by love? Give some specific examples.
8. How can your personal response to COVID-19 be an example of freedom tempered by love? How can the church’s corporate response do the same?