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TITLE: EDIFY ONE ANOTHER

INTRODUCTION

"Let not then your good be evil spoken of: 17 For the kingdom of God is not meat and drink; but righteousness, and peace, and joy in the Holy Ghost.

18 For he that in these things serveth Christ is acceptable to God, and approved of men. 19 Let us therefore follow after the things which make for peace, and things wherewith one may edify another. 20 For meat destroy not the work of God. All things indeed are pure; but it is evil for that man who eateth with offence. 21 It is good neither to eat flesh, nor to drink wine, nor any thing whereby thy brother stumbleth, or is offended, or is made weak. 22 Hast thou faith? have it to thyself before God. Happy is he that condemneth not himself in that thing which he alloweth. 23 And he that doubteth is damned if he eat, because he eateth not of faith: for whatsoever is not of faith is sin." (Romans 14:16–23)

1. The	of Edification
A	Peaceably

How to Seek Peace

- + Stop Living for Self
- + Realize the Gospel Is the Focus

 "Therefore being justified by faith, we have peace with
 God through our Lord Jesus Christ:" (Romans 5:1)
- + All Things Will Get Settled at the Judgment Seat of Christ

+ Avoid Causing Others to Stumble

"Let us not therefore judge one another any more: but judge this rather, that no man put a stumblingblock or an occasion to fall in his brother's way. ¹⁴ I know, and am persuaded by the Lord Jesus, that there is nothing unclean of itself: but to him that esteemeth any thing to be unclean, to him it is unclean. ¹⁵ But if thy brother be grieved with thy meat, now walkest thou not charitably. Destroy not him with thy meat, for whom Christ died." (Romans 14:13–15)

"But meat commendeth us not to God: for neither, if we eat, are we the better; neither, if we eat not, are we the worse. ⁹ But take heed lest by any means this liberty of yours become a stumblingblock to them that are weak." (1 Corinthians 8:8–9)

Quote: "There is one thing we should judge: we should judge ourselves to see whether we are abusing our Christian liberty and making others stumble. Certainly nothing is unclean of itself, but some practices and habits are considered unclean by others. Therefore, if we deliberately do something that makes our brothers stumble, we're not living according to the rule of love."

—Warren Wiersbe

	В.		Strongly		
2. The		ne	of Edification		
	A.	Live without			

Quote: "The goal, under grace, is not do what we may be free to do, but rather what will not cause offense to others."

"For the grace of God that bringeth salvation hath appeared to all men, 12 Teaching us that, denying ungodliness and worldly lusts, we should live soberly, righteously, and godly, in this present world;" (Titus 2:11–12)

B. Live with FAITH BEFORE GOD FAITH THAT DOES NOT CONDEMN "Howbeit there is not in every man that knowledge: for some with conscience of the idol unto this hour eat it as a thing offered unto an idol; and their conscience being weak is defiled." (1 Corinthians 8:7) 3. The of Edification "And he gave some, apostles; and some, prophets; and some, evangelists; and some, pastors and teachers; 12 For the perfecting of the saints, for the work of the ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ: 13 Till we all come in the unity of the faith, and of the knowledge of the Son of God, unto a perfect man, unto the measure of the stature of the fulness of Christ:" (Ephesians 4:11-13) of Edification A. "Take heed therefore unto yourselves, and to all the flock, over the which the Holy Ghost hath made you overseers, to feed the church of God, which he hath purchased with his own blood." (Acts 20:28) "Obey them that have the rule over you, and submit yourselves: for they watch for your souls, as they that must give account, that they may do it with joy, and not with grief: for that is unprofitable for you." (Hebrews 13:17) of Edification B. PERFECTING **Definition:** perfecting—complete furnishing or equipping "Night and day praying exceedingly that we might see your

face, and might perfect that which is lacking in your faith?"

Definition: *perfect*—brought to its full end, finished,

WORKING

(1 Thessalonians 3:10)

complete, mature

Definition: *ministry*—spiritual service

EDIFYING

Definition: *edifying*—building up a house, building upon a foundation

"Even so ye, for a smuch as ye are zealous of spiritual gifts, seek that ye may excel to the edifying of the church." (1 Corinthians 14:12)

"Let no corrupt communication proceed out of your mouth, but that which is good to the use of edifying, that it may minister grace unto the hearers." (Ephesians 4:29)

UNITY

Definition: *unity*—oneness, agreement

CONCLUSION			