

# **BIBLICAL WAYS IN WHICH WE MAY CAUSE OTHERS TO STUMBLE**

## **1. By Failing To Teach Our Children Right:**

"or what man is there among you, when his son shall ask him for a loaf, will give him a stone? or if he shall ask for a fish, he will not give him a snake, will he? Matthew 7:9-10

## **2. By A Thoughtless Use Of Personal Liberty:**

"...let us not judge one another any more, but rather determine this--not to put an obstacle or a stumbling block in a brother's way...for if because of food your brother is hurt, you are no longer walking according to love. Do not destroy with your food him for whom Christ died. Therefore, do not let what is for you a good thing be spoken of as evil....pursue the things which make for peace and the building up of one another." Romans 14:13-19

"now we who are strong ought to bear the weaknesses of those without strength and not just please ourselves. Let each of us please his neighbor for his good, to his edification. For even Christ did not please himself..." Romans 15:1-3

"Take care lest your liberty somehow become a stumbling block to the weak....for through your knowledge he who is weak is ruined, the brother for whose sake Christ died. And thus, by sinning against the brethren and wounding their conscience when it is weak, you sin against Christ." 1 Corinthians 8:8-12

"All things are lawful, but no all things are profitable. All things are lawful, but not all things edify. Let no one seek his own good, but that of his neighbor." 1 Corinthians 10:23-24

"Act as free men, and do not use your freedom as a covering for evil, but use it as bond slaves of God."  
1 Peter 2:16

## **3. By Hypocrisy:**

"You, therefore, who teach another, do you not teach yourself? You who say that one should not commit adultery, do you commit adultery? You who abhor idols, do you rob temples? You who boast in the law, through your breaking the law, do you dishonor god? 'For the name of God is blasphemed among the gentiles because of you,' just as it is written." Romans 2:21-24

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