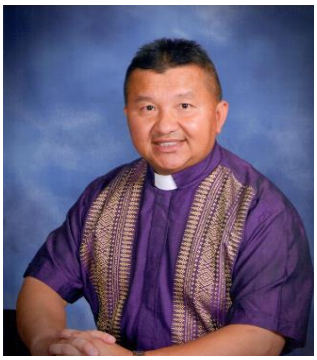

Sermon
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"Noj Puas Tau Tej Zaubmov Uas Luag Muab Fij Rau Mlom?"

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Thov txoj koobhmoov, txojkev hlub, thiab txojkev haumxeeb pub rau koj los ntawm Vajtswv uas yog peb Leejtxiv uas yog peb tus Cawmseej Tswv Yexus Khetos. Asmees.

1 Kauleethaus 8:1, "Now about food sacrificed to idols…. - *Nimno kuv yuav hais txog tej zaub mov uas luag muab fij rau mlom:"* (NIV). 'Nov yog tus Tswv Txojlus.' (Cross-reference – Tes Haujlwm 15:20, Loos 14:19; 15:14, 1 Kauleethaus 4:6; 8:4, 7, 10; 10:15)

Illustration "sacrifice" (Show pig kill)

Koj tus kwvtij caw kom koj mus nrog lawv koom noj pluamov ua npuadab. Lawv tua npua coj los ua noj haus. Thaum koj mus txog, koj puas nrog lawv koom rooj noj rooj haus vim tus npua twb muab ua npuabdab lawm? Noj puas txhaum Vajtswv txoj kevcai vim koj yog tus ntseeg? Tsis noj tsam koj tus kwvtij tu siab rau koj. Koj yuav ua li cas? koj yuav teb li cas? Yog koj tsis noj, koj cai kwv cai tij cai neej cai tsav. Koj yuav ua li cas thiaj li yuav zoo? Tsis tag li ntawd xwb, kwvtij zejzog yuav ntsia ntsoov koj saib koj yuav ua li cas. Koj noj, lwmtus ntseeg yuav haistias, koj twb yog tus ntseeg ua li cas koj tseem ua li cov tsis ntseeg? Qhov no ua rau koj xav haistias, koj yuav ua li cas thiaj li yuav haum cov ntseeg thiab cov tsis ntseeg thiab haum Vajtswv?

I. Cov kwvtij, hnubno, peb yuav xyua saib Vajtswv Txojlus qhia peb li cas txog txojkev noj tej zaubmov uas luag muab fij rau tej dab tej mlom lawm saib peb noj tau los noj tsis tau. (Show no meat picture)

Cia peb sawvdaws tig mentsis rov mus xyua cov tibneeg Kauleethaus. Lawv muaj teebmeem ibyam li peb tiam tamsim no hais txog ntawm tej zaubmov uas fij rau tej mlom lawm. Lawv nug cov lus tibyam haistias "Kuv noj puas tau tej zaubmov uas luag muab fij rau tej mlom lawm? Yog noj tsis tau, ces kawg kuv yuav ua tus noj zaub mus li los kuv yuav noj tau tej nqaij thiab?" Paulus qhia li cas txog tej zaubmov uas fij rau tej mlom lawm? Tej zaumov ntawd puas huv? Nej xav li cas? Nej ibtxhia yuav teb haistias, "huv" ibtxhia yuav teb haistias, "tsis huv." Paulus qhia li cas tiag? (Show food sacrifice to idols)

Paulus sau Vajtswv txojlus ntawm Vs. 4 sau haistias "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 - *Kuv hais txog qhov uas noj tej zaub mov uas luag muab fij rau tej mlom lawm: Peb yeej paub haistias, "Tibneeg ntiajteb tej mlom tsis muaj ib tug muaj sia li," thiab peb paub haistias, "tsuas muaj tibtug Vajtswv xwb, yeej tsis muaj dua lwm tus li lawm."* (1 Kauleethaus 8:4). Qhov no txhais li cas? Txhais haistias, tej zaubmov txawm muab fij rau tej mlom lawm los peb yeej noj tau vim tej mlom ntawd tsis muaj sia thiab tsis yog tus tseem vajtswv. Tsua

muaj tigtug tseem Vajtswv, tus ntawd yog Vajtswv Yexus Khetos uas yog tus muaj sia zees nyob. Tej zaubmov nrog rau tej mlom uas tsis muaj sia ntawd yuav tsis muaj lub hwjchim tswjhwm thiab kovyeej tau peb vim peb tus Vajtswv yog tus muaj hwjchim loj dua tej ntawd. Lolus tseeb ces yog li no. Peb muaj kev ywjpheej, peb yeej noj tau txhuayam uas peb xav noj. (Show Yes, But)

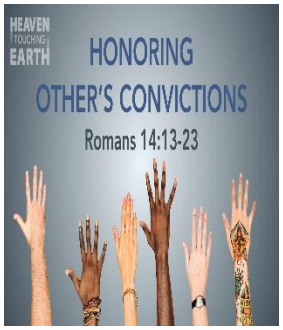
Feem ntau tibneeg tsis totaub yog lolus haistias, "But - *Tiamsis"* vim peb tseem pheej muaj qhov xav haistias, "peb noj tau – tiamsis peb tsis txhob noj tiamsis… tiamsis… tiamsis.." Qhov teebmeem uas peb pheej muaj qhov "But - *Tiamsis"* ntawd vim haistias peb txhuatus tsis totaub ibyam. Nyias totaub nyias lwmyam, vim feem ntau ntawm peb txhuatus tawm los ntawm Hmoob kevcai coj dabqhua los. Peb tseem muaj txojkev ntshai haistias, yog peb tsis ceevfaj ces peb yuav npam, saib tsis tau lwmtus thiab ua kev txhaum. Peb tseem nyob nrog rau txojkev txhawj kev ntshai.

II. Peb tsis yog nrhiav txojkev nyuaj rau peb tus kheej xwb tiamsis peb tseem txhawj txog lwmtus nyobtsam lwmtus ua tsis haum Vajtswv txoj kevcai. Cov no yog cov uas muaj kev ntseeg tsawg. (Show doubt faith)

Cov tsis tuaj kawm Vajtswv txojlus, cov no yog cov nyob ntev ntev mam li tuaj church ib zaug. Tsis yog hais txog cov muaj kev ntseeg tsawg xwb, cov uas muaj kev ntseeg ntev ntev lawm los lawv yeej tseem tsis totaub txog txojkev uas noj tau tej zaubmov uas muab fij rau dab rau mlom lawm thiab. (Show balance-doubt)

Cov uas muaj kev ntseeg ntev no mas hajyam yog cov uas totaub nyuaj txog txojkev noj zaubmov. Lawv xav haistias, lawv yog tus ntseeg lawm ces, tej zaubmov no noj ces yog txhaum. Yog li ntawd, txawm tus txheeb tus ze nws npaum li cas los nws xum tsis noj. Nws xum cia nws tus txheeb tus ze tu siab rau nws los kavliam tsuav nws xav haistias yam uas nws ua ntawd yog nws ua rau Vajtswv thiab nws ua yog lawm ces, nws xum tsis noj vim yog nws txojkev ntseeg. Tej zaum nws xav haistias toxjkev uas nws ua no nws yuav tsis muaj kev txhaum.

Cov kwvtij, nco ntsoov haistias zaubmov yog zaubmov, tsis txhob muab zaubmov los liam ua Vajtswv txoj kevcai. (Show Honoring Other's Conviction)



Paulus thiaj li sau haistias, "Do not destroy the work of God for the sake of food. All food is clean, but it is wrong for a man to eat anything that causes someone else to stumble – *Tsis txhob ua Vajtswv tes dejnum puamtsuaj los ntawm tej zaubmov. Txhuayam zaubmov puavleej huv tibsis, tiamsis yog tus txivneej twg noj ua rau lwmtus yuamkev ces qhovno tsis yog lawm."* (Loos 14:20). Zaubmov yeej noj tau, tsis txhob haistias, noj tsis tau, nyobtsam koj ho ua lwmtus yuamkev vim koj haistias, koj tsis noj. Yog koj tsis noj, ces haistias, koj tsis nyiam noj, tsis txhob liam haistias, Vajtswv tsis pub koj noj. Yog koj ua li no, lwmtus yuav totaub yuamkev haistias, Vajtswv los tsis pub lawv noj thiab.

III. Qhov tseemceeb tiag tsis txhob muab zaubmov ntawd los ua rau peb sibfaib, sibcai, sibtawg ntawm peb tej kwvtij zejzog. (Show 1 Corinthians 8:3)

Peb yuav noj tsis noj los nyob ntawm peb tsuav peb paub meej haistias, peb yog Vajtswv tug. Vs. 3 sau haistias, "But the man who loves God is known by God – *Tus tibneeg twg hlub Vajtswv, Vajtswv yeej paub nws."* (1 Corinthians 8:3).

Nov yog koj txojkev sib raug zoo nrog Vajtswv. (Show picture of food)

Yog li ntawd koj yuavtsum tau rov nug koj tus kheej haistias, yam uas koj ua ntawd, puas yog koj txojkev sib raug zoo nrog Vajtswv thiab koj yog Vajtswv tug. Paulus sau ntxiv haistias, “But food does not bring us near to God; we are no worse if we do not eat, and no better if we do. - *Tej zaub mov ntawd yeej pab tsis tau kom peb nrog Vajtswv sib raug zoo; peb yuav tsis phem tshaj yog peb tsis noj, thiab peb yuav tsis zoo tshaj yog peb noj.”* (1 Kauleethaus 8:8). Peb yuavtsum tau xav kom zoo saib txojkev ywjpheej uas Vajtswv pub rau peb ntawd, peb yuavtsum paub coj kom peb tsis txhob yuamkev. Peb yuavtsum paub ntsuag kom peb tsis txhob mus ua txhaum rau peb cov kwvtij zejzog. (Show freedom)

Peb muaj kev ywjpheej ntau yam hauv peb lub neej, tiamsis peb yuavtsum ceevfaj nyobtsam peb rov mus ua txhaum rau peb tus kheej thiab ua txhaum rau lwmtus. Txawm peb yuav haus cawv los yeej haus taus, tsuav peb tsis txhob haus kom qaug thiab tsis txhob quavcawv. Txawm peb yuav mus “seevceev – dance” los yeej tau tsuav peb nrog peb tus pojniam tus txiv vim Vajtswv yeej teem sijhawm tseg kom peb muaj tej no. Kev noj zaubmov tsis yog teebmeem rau ntawm tibneeg thiab rau ntawm Vajtswv. (Show Jesus declare all foods clean)

Yexus haistias, “For it doesn’t go into his heart but into his stomach, and then out of his body.” (In saying this, Jesus declared all foods “clean.”) – *tsis yog mus rau hauv tibneeg lub siab, tiamsis mus rau hauv tibneeg lub plab, thiab tawm ntawm tibneeg lub cev.” (Yexus hais li no yog txhais haistias, txhuayam zaubmov huv tibsis)* (Malakaus 7:19). (Show foods)

Cov kwvtij, zaubmov yog Vajtswv tsim. Vajtswv yog tus tswjhwm ibpuas tsavyam. Txawm tibneeg yuav fij rau tej mlom los tej mlom ntawd tsis muaj sia thiab tsis muaj hwjchim. Vajtswv yog tus muaj hwjchim. **Noj tsis txhaum. Noj ua Vajtswv tsaug. Noj rau Vajtswv tau koobmeej. Tsis txhob ua xyemxyav.** Yog koj tseem ua xyemxyav ces koj tsis muaj txojkev ntseeg tseeb, thaum no, koj rov coj kev txhaum rov rau koj tus kheej thiab ua rau lwmtus poob kev ntseeg. Cia li zoo siab hlo, ua Vajtswv tsaug rau txhuayam uas Vajtswv tau foom koobhmoov pub rau tibneeg ntiajteb. Tej zaubmov txawm fij rau tej mlos los tsis muaj fwjchim kav tau koj lawm vim koj yog Vajtswv tug. Vajtswv povfwm koj lawm, cia li zoo siab, noj kom tsaus haus kom txaus. Cia li ua Vajtswv tsaug. Cia li noj. Asmees.

Thov kom Vajtswv txojlus pub rau peb sawvdaws totaub thiab tau nyob kajsiab lug rau ntawm Tswv Yexus Khetos lub npe. Peb txhuatus uas yog Vajtswv cov menyuam peb sawvdaws hais: Asmees.