



CASTLE QUAY BOOKS

WHAT WOULD JESUS EAT?

Really



The Biblical Case FOR EATING MEAT

EDITORS WES JAMISON, PhD, AND PAUL COPAN, PhD

WHAT WOULD JESUS EAT?

Really

General Editors: Wes Jamison and Paul Copan
Christian, Non-fiction
Coming in July 2019!

Castle Quay Books

ISBN:

978-1-988928-17-3 Soft Cover

978-1-988928-18-0 E-book

148 pages, size 6x9

Price: \$16.95

For review copies, cover images, interviews with author or more information about this title, please contact Larry N. Willard
Phone: 1-416-573-3249
Email: lwillard@castlequaybooks.com

Distributed in Canada by Parasource Marketing & Distribution
Phone: 1-800-263-2664
Email: custserv@parasource.com

Distributed in the USA by Ingram International
Phone: 1-800-937-8000

For more information visit
www.parasource.com or
www.castlequaybooks.com

Until relatively recently, vegetarianism was a dietary alternative for Christians. A plant-based diet was seen as a mere option—or perhaps, for some, a conviction. But the biblical tradition recognized that this diet wasn't considered more spiritual or moral than eating meat, and that the choice to eat meat was not only legitimate but that it was not prohibited. Nor was this diet to be imposed by the weaker in conscience on other believers who knew their meat-eating freedom in Christ ("the strong").

Increasingly, however, secular organizations and activists have been pressuring Christians by turning their freedom into bondage, by making activist conviction into false commandments, and voices from inside the church have joined the chorus:

"Meat-eating isn't compassionate," "Animals have rights too," "Aren't you concerned about animal suffering?" "We should include animals into the moral community," "Would you kill and eat your dog Lassie?"

Given these concerns, a group of scholars have applied their expertise in biblical studies, theology, philosophy, communications, and generational pig farming to write an accessible response for Christians who rightly believe that meat-eating is a blessing from God. They stand with Jesus—who pronounced all foods "kosher"—a theme reinforced throughout the New Testament. This book addresses leading challenges from animal activism outside the church—including their cherry-picking of biblical texts to try to persuade believers. But it also offers important biblical and practical correctives to a growing misguided compassion and even bullying within the church. This book makes a wide-ranging case against "prescriptive Christian vegetarianism"—that all Christians are obligated to eliminate meat from their diets to "honor Christ."

CONTRIBUTORS

Dr. Paul Copan—(New Testament)

Dr. Walter Kaiser—Old Testament Author and Scholar

Dr. Tom St. Antoine—Author and Professor of Communications (PBA)

Dr. Wes Jamison—Associate professor of communication

Dr. Timothy Hsiao—Professor of Philosophy and Humanities at Grantham University

Randy Spronk—Managing Partner of Spronk Brothers III LLP and Ranger Farms LLP