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The first case of murder we read about in the Bible happens between two brothers: Cain and Abel. In Genesis 4, we read: ⁸ Cain spoke to Abel his brother. And when they were in the field, Cain rose up against his brother Abel and killed him. ⁹ Then the LORD said to Cain, "Where is Abel your brother?" He said, "I do not know; am I my brother's keeper?" (Genesis 4:8-9, ESV) Cain lies to God, because he knew where Abel was and he overlooked the fact God knew where Abel was, too. In addition, not only was he not his brother's keeper, but he was also his brother's killer. As we fast forward to today, are we our brother's keeper or are we, their killer? Do you know you can do something that is not in itself wrong, but can damage another person's faith? How can we build up a fellow believer rather than trip them up?

1. When _____ is our primary goal, we become prideful and _____ others. When _____ is our primary goal, we _____ others up. 8:1-3
2. God is _____ and idols are _____, so we should be more concerned about what God desires of us than the insignificance of idols. 8:4-6
3. The strong are to act toward the weak with _____, understanding that their offense against them is an offense against _____. 8:7-13