



**TRAIL TIP:**

Don't be lookin' like a calf lookin' at a new gate.

**Did you ever hear the Western saying:**

*He looks like a calf looking at a new gate.*

It says that a person looks wide-eyed totally surprised & doesn't know what to do with the new information. It's like: **What do I do with that?!**

**1 Corinthians 14:33** For God is not the author of confusion....

**Illustration:**



On a white board put a math equation, an algebraic or geometric equation that is a more advanced than your audience. You don't have to be able to solve it; just to write it ☺. Beside it write a phrase in a language other than your own.

The first time you see a new math problem or see a different language you will be confused. But after it has been explained to you, it makes more sense.

The same thing happened to people in the First Century. They had been living under the LAW of Moses and the exaggerated law of the Pharisees additionally in many cases. So when Jesus came and said:

**Matthew 5:17** Think not that I am come to destroy the law, or the prophets: I am not come to destroy, but to fulfill.

**Then they were very confused.**

**People are always trying to REASON things out.** The first time you hear that you are a sinner; your reaction is to say: No I am not! Or I'm not as bad as the guy in prison! Or I'm not all that bad! I know people a lot worse than me! So immediately you begin to "reason". But the Bible, God's Word is clear. ALL have sinned. There is none righteous, no, not one.

Yes, we are just like that calf looking at a new gate: **What do I do with that?!**

**[Present the Plan of Salvation at this point.]**

**2 Timothy 1:7** For God hath not given us the spirit of fear; but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind.