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- 1) Defuse their argument using 3 elements...
  - a. Their problem was **hardened hearts!**
  - b. They **misinterpreted** an allowance as a "command."
  - c. This is not what God **intended**.
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