

1 Corinthians

Let's come up with a list of current ailments within the church and within society...

What do you know about the Book, the Congregation in Corinth back in Paul's time?

When you think of Greece, what city comes to mind and why do you think this is?



How did this church get off the ground?

Acts 18:1-17

There about a year and a half (50/51 AD)

Who protected the right to practice religion?

Some other points to see how a look at this Letter (55 AD) still has application for us today...

“Too much wealth and the presence of many different nationalities and of many sailors on shore leave resulted in the lowering of moral standards.”

“Corinthian Christians were too ‘educated’ for ordinary Christianity. They wanted a Christianity that challenged their minds.”

Cliques >>> factions >>> this pastor over that one or none all get respect

Heathen ways reasserted >>> lawsuits >>> idol sacrifices >>> Christian liberty >>> by grace so sin more >>> sexual freedom >>> disorderly services >>> some God-given gifts better than others...tongues >>> did Jesus really rise (Eschatology) >>> more ‘wisdom’ wanted

Corinthianize – What does that mean? ...

At least 12 Temples in the city ... most adorned: Aphrodite (goddess of love)

How did Paul find out what was going on in Corinth?

Was in Ephesus at the time, made a trip to Corinth with no success, writes a firm but evangelical letter

Quick Chapter Topic Reference...

1 – Grace & Peace, Divisions mentioned, Wisdom of God superior

2 – Paul not with eloquence but with Christ, Importance of the Spirit's power/work

3 – More on Divisions...One Foundation

4 – Apostles of Christ are not 2nd class

5 – The Immoral Brother

6 – Lawsuit Issues, Sexual Immorality addressed – “Flee”

7 – Marriage ...Purpose as well as remain Single, Divorce Reasons

8 – Food offered to Idols...Exercise of Freedom

9 – Rights of Apostles...support

10 – Warnings from Israel's History, God provides strength to stay upright

11 – Worship Guidelines/Practices, Lord's Supper Talk

12 – Spiritual Gifts...One Body

13 – Love

14 – Gifts in Practice

15 – The Resurrection

16 – Helping Financially those in need

1 Corinthians 1:1-31

- 1) What is significant, if anything, about how Paul introduces himself in this Letter?
- 2) Recall what is the 'will' of God.
- 3) Describe the 'church of God.'
 - a) How did this 'church' come about, vs. 2?
 - b) How big is this 'church'?
 - c) What is the unifying factor within this 'church'?
 - d) Key words recap: sanctified...called...holy...together...call
- 4) What is the significance of using the full name for Jesus?
- 5) Why ought we treasure the phrase 'grace and peace'?
 - a) John 3:16
 - b) Philippians 4:7
 - c) Lamentations 3:21-25
 - d) Mercy =
 - e) Grace =

New Section...Thanksgiving

- 6) Given what we know of the church in Corinth, and what Paul knew, how could he say what he did in vs. 4?
 - a) What is the lesson(s) in this for us?
- 7) What are *you* lacking in connection with vs. 5?
- 8) How might you use vs. 7 in a conversation with a fellow member not feeling like he/she fits in or feels has nothing to offer?
(spiritual gift = indication of the Holy Spirit enabling one to minister to the needs of the 'church'... more on this in ch. 12)
- 9) What is the promise Paul holds out to the believers, vs. 8?
 - a) Apply this promise to yourself
 - b) This goes back to the will of God.
 - c) Comment. A Christian has a certainty that no unbeliever can ever know.
Is arrogant or ostracizing to say such a thing?
- 10) What certainty (characteristic) is emphasized about God which is meant to give us comfort, vs. 9?

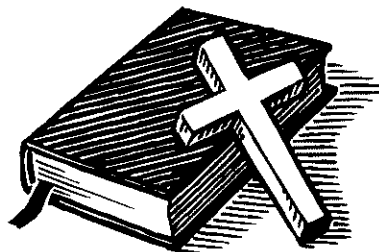
New Section...Divisions in the Church

- 11) Paul dives in now with an issue among the congregation. His point in your words is what?
 - a) John 8:31, 32
 - b) Ephesians 4:1-6, 14-16
 - c) Romans 16:17-19
 - d) This truth applies not only locally but also on what level of the church?
- 12) How does the comment "I joined/left this church because of the pastor" tie in with what Paul wrote here?
- 13) Aren't we supposed to follow Christ? So what is wrong, in this context, with people following Him?
- 14) How does Paul make the point that is not about the 'pastor' but about Christ?
- 15) Paul was always concerned that what take place (or what not take place)?
 - a) Think of some examples which cause what is mentioned in vs. 17 to take place?

b) As we review this chapter so far, where is the focus being placed or where is it not?

New Section...Christ the Wisdom and Power of God

- 16) Why is the 'message of the cross' considered to be foolishness to some?
a) How are this 'some' of people described?
- 17) The 'cross' in reality is a source of what, and why is this the case with it?
a) See Romans 1:16,17
- 18) In connection with vs. 19...
a) Turn to 1 Peter 1:23-25
b) Colossians 2:8-23
- 19) In connection with verses 20ff, is it any more believable that we humans beings came from animals than it is we are created as unique beings by a Higher Power? What is it that people want to deny, really?
- 20) The cross Jesus died on may be foolishness to people but it is still considered to be what from God's vantage point?
- 21) Vs. 21 again makes it clear that the Bible does not teach 'God is going to save everyone in the end' as emphasized by what words?
a) Acts 4:12
b) Acts 16:29-32
c) Romans 10:13
- 22) Versus 22ff ... Despite the ideas and beliefs of others, we still stick to what and why?
a) How does the Great Commission tie into this conversation?
b) Where the teaching needs to start ... Deuteronomy 6:4-9
- 23) What is the point of Paul's train of thought in verses 26ff?
a) Is Paul saying that people with 'smarts' and 'wealth' cannot be saved? Explain.
b) Matthew 9:12,13
c) The Rich Young Man (Mt. 19)
d) 2 Corinthians 4:13-18
e) Romans 6:23
- 24) If want to boast about something, what is it we are to boast about?
a) Contrast this thought process with the world's thought process...
b) How does a Christian balance this verse (31) with trying to get a job/position in a society that puts value in one's credentials/accomplishments...



1 Corinthians 2:1-16

1) Comment. We need to convince people with the Gospel.

2) Quote taken from a WELS web Devotion...

It's said that, in his search to find another Christian to attack, Charles Lambaugh challenged a London pastor to debate him. After some thought, the pastor accepted, but he did so on one condition. The condition was this. On the day of the debate, the pastor would bring with him 100 people who had come to faith in Jesus Christ. These people would simply talk about their Savior, what he meant to them, and how the message of the gospel had impacted their lives. Charles Lambaugh, in turn, would be welcome to bring with him a group of people eager to speak about their atheism, what it meant to them, and how the power of its message had impacted their lives.

The date was set. The day arrived. The pastor entered the room with 100 people ready to describe what God's forgiveness in Jesus had done for them. They waited. Then they waited some more. Charles Lambaugh—and the group he was welcome to bring—never showed up.

What makes the case for the gospel is not your debating skills. What makes the case for the gospel is not finding just the right turn of phrase or clever line of attack. What makes the case for the gospel is the gospel itself.

3) The Apostle Paul said he did not have what in his presentation of the Gospel?

- Eloquence – rational talk (in what way not rational?)
- Superior Wisdom – worldly cleverness (he did have a 'catch phrase' ... 1:23)
- Such things were not the focus of his preaching
- This being the case, such is not an excuse for what as we proclaim the Gospel today 'in season and out'?
- Why again did Paul need to present the Gospel to the people in Corinth ('testimony'/'mystery')?

4) Finish the thought. If you have Jesus, ...

- Explain what we mean (Paul meant) by this statement.
- Romans 1:16
- 2 Corinthians 5:14,15

5) Do you find comfort in what Paul says about himself in vs. 3?

- Recall Paul's educational background. Did he really need to take a 'backseat' to the people/learned in Corinth? Acts 22; Philippians 3
- Why are Christians 'intimidated' (made to feel that way) today when we speak on matters related to Jesus?

6) What did Paul rely on when it came to his preaching the Gospel, and why was this the case for him?

- What do churches in our day (nothing new) tend to rely on when it comes to ministry?
- Agree or Disagree. If a church is not growing numerically, then it must be doing something wrong.

New Section...Wisdom From the Spirit

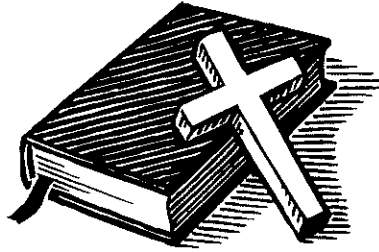
7) In connection with verses 6-10...

- What was the rationale the Jewish leaders used to have Jesus killed along with their motive?
- Why did they fail to see Jesus for who He really is? Any different today?
- What is awaiting the believer?
- How important is the work of the Holy Spirit?

8) In connection with verses 10-16...

- What qualification does the Spirit have in order to do this searching and revealing?
- Vs. 11 – why we confess to one another what we know and to God even what we are not aware of committing.
- If the Christian faith is not logical to people, how can we explain why so many people have this faith?
- How does your answer to the last question tie in with what Paul was saying in the first section?
- 'Human wisdom' – humanism, man is god, man has final authority

- f) What does human wisdom have to offer the people of this world?
- g) Ever been frustrated in a conversation with a non-believing friend/acquaintance when the Gospel does not seem to resonate with them? The reason for their not getting it and you do is...
- h) We can remain or become again “spiritually discerned” even as Christians when we...
Hebrews 5:11-6:12
- i) What does the world say about sin and guilt? Where does what ‘they’ say about it get us?
- j) Agree or Disagree. We as Christians are to be concerned about what the world thinks of us.
1 Thessalonians 2:4
- k) The ‘mind of Christ’ versus the ‘mind of the world’ ... Which would you rather have and why say this?

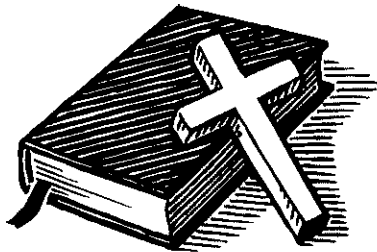


1 Corinthians 3:1-23

New Section... On Divisions in the Church

- 1) How does Paul express that he is concerned about these believers and that he really wants them to heed this letter?
- 2) In what sense are members of the church today 'worldly' and 'mere infants'?
- 3) In what does the church set itself up for 'jealousy and quarreling' in connection with this context?
- 4) The focus for the church is to always be on what and why is this to be the case?
- 5) If we work, in or out of the church, for our own purpose, what is the result?
- 6) The people of God are not an experiment but sheep. Explain the difference.
- 7) Can church traditions change? If so, why and how best to go about making changes?
- 8) If ministry is just about this life, ... (finish the thought)
- 9) What can't there be room for in the church as based on these words in 10-15?
 - a) How are pastors to be viewed, or how not to be viewed?
 - b) While pastors may have different gifts, what is to be the common ground expected of them?
- 10) What does God think of you, and what are we to think about who we are collectively?
 - a) What is the significance of this thought process, vss. 16-17?
- 11) What belongs in the church...

Humility	Arrogance	Respect	Intimidation	Encouragement	Gossip
Meism	Christ	Laziness	Potlucks	Fellowship	Sinners
Disciples	Visionaries	Ruts	Traditions	Cliques	Comfort
- 12) In Christ you are ... / you have ... (finish either thought)



1 Corinthians 4:1-21

New Section...Apostles of Christ

- 1) What are the 'secret things of God' the apostles had been entrusted with by God?
- 2) Those given such a trust must do or be what?
- 3) Some may have thought Paul was only out for himself. How does he answer those who thought this?
- 4) What did the Corinthian Christians have going for them?
 - a) Why was this not enough for them?
 - b) Is this still the case for Christians of today?
- 5) Explain what Paul meant by saying the other Apostles, along with himself, were like spectacles and fools?
 - a) How does his thought process compliment what Jesus said in Matthew 5?
- 6) Can it be said that a pastor today carries out the role of 'father' as Paul means it in this chapter?
- 7) Within the church, and in the world, there is a need for clear L _____ and clear G _____ .
 - a) power – Romans 1:16

1 Corinthians 5:1-13

New Section...Expel the Immoral Brother

- 1) What is the logical progression Paul takes leading up to this next point of order to be addressed?
- 2) How bad had this situation gotten among the church in Corinth?
 - a) Explain the church handling of the situation.
 - b) Explain Paul's reaction.
 - c) Who was 'backing up' Paul on this issue at hand?
 - d) Explain the discipline to be taken and the purpose of it.
- 3) What are some other 'yeast' circumstances we need to be on guard about?
 - a) Is there shame with the sins of today? Explain your answer.
- 4) The Christian life is not just to be a going through the motions, but ...
- 5) What is the train of thought Paul points out in verses 9-11?
 - a) Paul is concerned about what with making this statement?
 - b) Isn't this a little harsh, vs. 11?
 - c) Who ultimately is behind these words before us, and what is the implication of your answer?

1 Corinthians 6:1-20

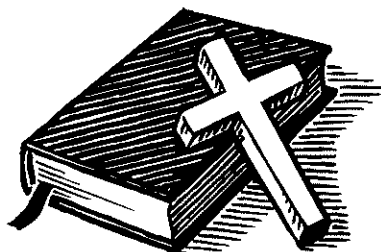
New Section...Lawsuits Among Believers

- 1) What is typically behind a frivolous lawsuit?
- 2) Since this is the case, why do you think Paul makes an issue about not taking such cases to the public courthouse?
- 3) In all of this 'judgment' conversation, what point makes you/us take a step back and go over the point again?
- 4) The attitude that needs to guide us even in this aspect of life is found in Jesus' Sermon of the Mount (Mt. 5). How would you sum up this attitude that is needed?
- 5) The goal of the Christian's life is what?
 - a) If we are suing one another, are we able to accomplish this goal?
- 6) What does Paul mean when he says in vs. 7 "you have been completely defeated already"?
- 7) Let's be clear on this next point: Who is not making it into heaven and why not?
- 8) Before we get puffed up ourselves, as might of the Corinthians, we must keep what truth in mind (vs. 11)?
 - a) And, then, what other truth is just as important for us to remember?
 - b) Since your answer to 'a' is true, what does this mean for us going forward in this life?

New Section...Sexual Immorality

- 9) This section is connected to one of the main reasons for this letter, a case of church discipline, and it is related to the previous section and the following section. Scripture is put together well.
- 10) What is Paul saying with vs. 12 ... everything is permissible, but not everything beneficial?
- 11) The key to the sanctified life is not to become under the influence of what?
- 12) In connection to vs. 13 recall Matthew 6:34.
- 13) It was not uncommon then, and still today, to tie sexual activity and religion together. Paul says there is no what in connecting these two practices/activities?
- 14) So while a person could be promiscuous with his or her life, what does Paul say could end up being the result when following such a lifestyle?
- 15) What is the Christian to keep in mind when it comes to sexual activity?
- 16) With some activities you can hurt only yourself, but with the activity mentioned here who can get hurt?

- 17) The motivation then to use one's body for good (God's glory) and not self-indulgence is what?
- 18) Discuss some of the consequences that take place when we abuse God's gift of sex?
- 19) What are the forces against ourselves and our children and our society when it comes to this topic?
- 20) Given the answers to Questions 18 & 19, how does a Christian 'flee from sexual immorality'?



1 Corinthians 7:1-40

New Section...Marriage

- 1) What often within a marriage or not is used as a weapon, a manipulator, a punishment, not always the way it was intended?
- 2) Why do you think Paul would make the statement “It is good for a man not to marry”?
 - a) Is he speaking against what God has established from the beginning of time?
- 3) And yet, what principle is Paul promoting in this section?
 - a) What are the benefits of putting this principle into practice?
- 4) Put in your own words the encouragement Paul is giving in verses 3-7 to the Christians.
 - a) duty
 - b) us
 - c) mutual consent
 - d) self-control
 - e) each has own gift
 - f) what are the current challenges to a marriage related to this theme?
- 5) Is it a sin to marry?
 - a) Is it a sin to remain unmarried?
 - b) When does sin come into the equation in reference to either situation?
- 6) In connection with verses 12- 16, there were people who were not Christians when they got married but became Christians afterwards, what is Paul’s encouragement to them?
 - a) What benefits come from a believing spouse whether the other spouse is a believer or not?
 - b) If the unbeliever in this case leaves the marriage, can the believing spouse marry again?
- 7) Verses 17-24 ... Who are we responsible/accountable to in this life and why is this the case?
 - a) It is not what in this life that makes our life complete, but it is this that does and that is what?
 - b) Vs. 19 ... reference to Luke 11:28.
 - c) Think of the tangled webs that have been woven when we are discontent in this life. What webs come to mind in connection to the verses discussed up to this point?
- 8) Verses 25ff ... Does the context help us understand what Paul is saying, keep in mind he was inspired by the Holy Spirit?
 - a) What advice do you have for the child or grandchild when he/she brings home a ‘friend’ and it looks serious?
 - b) What troubles, vs. 28, would Paul be talking about?
 - c) We are to live our life for whom, but who can become a distraction in doing so?

- d) Keep in mind what Paul wrote earlier: When you come to the realization that your spouse (any part of life) is keeping you from maturing in the Lord, what is your course of action to be?
- e) If one does not intend to marry but wants to have a close friend of the opposite sex, what does Scripture have to say about such a relationship?

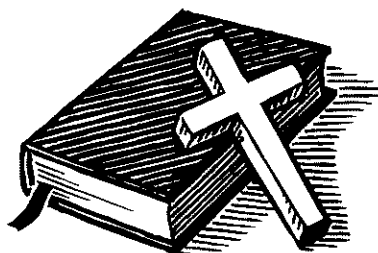
(why buy the cow when you are getting the milk for free)

- f) It is not marriage that Paul (the Lord) has an issue with but what rather in relation to marriage?
- 9) Verses 38-40 ... When does a marriage come to an end – God’s way / Man’s way?
- a) When thinking about re-marriage how does the phrase “belong to the Lord” apply to the situation?

1 Corinthians 8:1-13

New Section...Food Sacrificed to Idols

- 1) Describe a ‘know it all.’
- 2) Just because you are smart does not give you the right...
- 3) People who ‘bow down’ to idols are worshipping what?
 - a) The reason Paul wanted the believers to know this had to do with what circumstance?
 - b) Describe the ‘weak’ and the ‘strong’ believer.
- 4) Paul makes the point that there is only one God and what has this God done to demonstrate that He is God alone?
- 5) It is not wrong to watch what we eat unless we believe what we eat ...
- 6) Who has a responsibility to whom according to Paul in this section and why is this to be the case?
 - a) When does this responsibility end?
 - b) This responsibility also includes not just restraint but what?
 - c) The reason why we want to take this matter seriously has to do with what?



1 Corinthians 9:1-27

New Section...The Rights of an Apostle

- 1) What can you hear the readers of this letter saying about Paul based on the content so far?
- 2) Even though the believers in Corinth were somewhat messed up they still had what which gave Paul hope in having this conversation with them (and us)?
- 3) What are the expectations you have for pastors?
 - a) How have you come to these expectations?
 - b) Pastors are a _____ to the congregation but not to be treated as a _____ of the congregation.
 - c) This practice is nothing new (OT examples as well examples from outside the family of believers in connection to peoples' line of work)
- 4) Support for our missionaries comes from where and why is this a good practice?
- 5) In connection to verses 15ff, what was Paul's motive in not seeking compensation from the Corinthians?
 - a) The desire to preach the Gospel for Paul, and for pastors today, was/is what?
 - b) 2 Corinthians 5:11-21
 - c) Matthew 25:19-21
 - d) Jeremiah 23:25-32
 - e) Romans 1:16,17
- 6) In connection to verses 19ff, how did Paul demonstrate he was intent on sharing the Gospel?
 - a) How does Paul note that he was not forced to try some of his outreach methods?
 - b) Similar practice for when missionaries enter a harvest field or when pastors come to a new place of service or even when a business decides to move into an area.
 - c) While striving to reach as many people as possible, Paul never compromised what?
- 7) In connection with verses 24ff, Paul practiced what he _____.
 - a) What kind of training does an athlete do and for what purpose?
 - b) How does that kind of training connect to our being people of God?
 - c) The prize for the athlete was what and lasted how long?
 - d) The prize for the Christian is what and lasts how long?
 - e) Which prize is better for us to set our sights on? So why don't we?
 - f) Did Paul literally 'beat' his body, or what did he mean exactly?
 - g) Philippians 3:12-21



1 Corinthians 10:1-33

New Section...Warnings From Israel's History

- 1) What comfort would the Corinthian believers (and us) be able to take from the fact the Children of Israel were 'under the cloud and that they passed through the sea'?
- 2) What does your Baptism mean for you?
 - a) Romans 6:1-4
 - b) Titus 3:3-8
- 3) What is the spiritual food and drink the Israelites had been given, vs. 3?
 - a) John 6:34-51
- 4) What statement speaks against the argument 'once saved, always saved'?
- 5) In connection with verses 6-10, what was Israel guilty of doing, and how often?
 - a) Golden Calf (Exodus 32)
 - b) Worship of Baal with the Moabites (Numbers 25)
 - c) Rebellion against Moses & Aaron (Numbers 16)
 - d) Exodus 34:5-7
- 6) In connection to verses 11-13...
 - a) Romans 15:4
 - b) Is temptation a sin?
 - c) What warning does Paul give to us and why it necessary to give?
 - d) Connected to temptation is R_____
 - e) What comfort does Paul point out which helps us in the face of temptation?
 - f) "Beyond what you can bear" ... expound on these words.
 - g) What is a 'way out' the Lord provides to us in the face of temptation?
 - gg) Psalm 1; 46; 119:33-37, 103-105; Philippians 4:8; Colossians 3:1-2,12-14

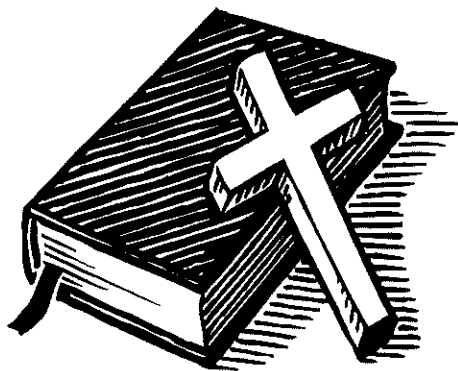
New Section...Idol Feasts and the Lord's Supper

- 7) What would have been a huge, in your face, temptation for the believers in Corinth?
 - a) Exodus 20:1-6
 - b) What are some of the 'idols' in our face today?
- 8) When it comes to the Lord's Supper, what is one key factor mentioned here that has to be there? (vs. 17)
- 9) Verses 18ff connect back to Chapter 8 (weak/strong). People cannot have it both ways. Explain that sentence.

New Section...The Believer's Freedom

- 10) Same comment made in # 9. Life is not about _____. How then are verses 23 & 24 connected to Ch. 8?
- 11) Verse 26, also noted in Psalm 24.

- 12) If we are free to eat 'any' meat, why should the Christian refrain from eating the meat in a situation mentioned in vs. 28?
- 13) What is the goal of the believer's action in this case?
- 14) What are some situations today that once a view is 'public' restraint is good to practice?
- 15) Before we act and or speak, what is a good principle to keep in mind and why is this to be the case?
- 16) Are we able to please everyone?
a) What is not to be compromised in our goal of getting along with others?
b) Romans 16:17-18
c) Titus 2:11-14; 3:9-11



1 Corinthians 11:1-34

New Section...Propriety in Worship (Conformity / Appropriateness)

- 1) Bridging the chapters, Paul encourages the believers to model whose life and why is this excellent advice?
 - a) How exactly is this to be carried out?
 - b) 1 Peter 2:9, 11-12, 16, 21-25; 3:8, 15-17; 4:7-8, 16; 5:6-7

- 2) Verse 2 points out that the believers, despite having some major issues to contend with still had the necessary foundation to build off of so to get back on track. What can we take away from that statement?

- 3) Important to keep in mind as we go through this section is the distinction between what the principle is for all time and what was a custom for the time and place in keeping with the principle.
 - a) Men/Husbands are to treat women/wives how?
 - b) Women/Wives are to treat men/husbands how?
 - c) There is accountability in life, and who are we ultimately accountable to and why?
 - cc) Ephesians 5:21, 24, 28, 33; 1 Peter 3:1-2, 7, 8
 - d) What is the principle in this section? (ties back to 10:31)
 - e) What is the custom of that time in keeping with the principle?
 - ee) Keep in mind what the believers were surrounded by and grew up, Christianity is not like the other religions.
 - f) How do/can we show respect for worship today?
 - g) "because of the angels" in vs. 10 most likely emphasizing as there is respect shown by the angels in heaven so there is to be respect shown on earth.

- 4) What fall out, if any, is the result in the rise of broken homes in our day?
 - a) What are some of the causes leading to these broken homes?
 - b) How does this discussion relate to us?

- 5) Did Paul say that women cannot pray and or worship with men?
 - a) Did Paul say women are inferior to men?
 - b) Did Paul say men are superior to women?
 - c) Did Paul say men do not need to be considerate of women?

New Section...The Lord's Supper

- 6) What change do you notice in Paul as he continues with the worship theme?

- 7) What were the problems that made Paul come to this conclusion?

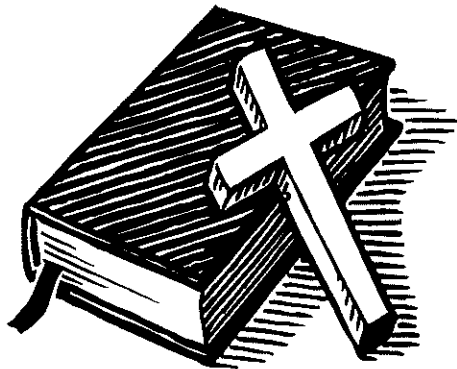
- 8) We who brought the food get to go first. Evaluate.

- 9) Some background to the text: People often met in homes (love feasts), those who had larger homes often served as

hosts, the hosts might have his inner circle of friends near his seat while others spread throughout the home and yard leading to divisions and other problems. Instead of edifying worship and celebration of the Lord's Supper, there was lack of concern and mockery (intentional or not).

10) In verses 23ff Paul reviews the giving and intent of the Lord's Supper.

- a) Instituted on what occasion
- b) Elements used
- c) What made the Elements more than what they were/are
- d) What was to be remembered
- e) What was received as people partook of the Meal
- f) No limit to how often
- g) Qualifications noted ... who is able to partake
 - gg) unworthy manner includes
 - a) how to examine and when (p. 156 of CW)
 - b) what is necessary upon the examination process
 - c) why this examination is important, not to be glossed over
- h) The church is here to help people
- i) For reflection: "Faith does not put the body and blood of Christ into the Lord's Supper, it finds them there."



1 Corinthians 12:1-31

New Section...Spiritual Gifts

- 1) What is a spiritual gift, how would you define it?
- 2) In what way are people, then and now, ignorant when it comes to spiritual gifts?
- 3) What did James say cannot come out of the mouth? (3:9-12)
 - a) Also see Romans 10:8-13 ... how the mouth is to be used
 - b) Second Commandment ... misuse – curse, swear, lie, deceive, superstition; call upon, praise
 - c) What is the role of the Holy Spirit when it comes to faith in Jesus?
 - cc) The significance/importance of stressing this fact is...
- 4) How many kinds of ‘gifts’ are there?
 - a) What do these various gifts have in common?
 - b) Ephesians 2:10
 - c) Philippians 2:12-13
 - d) According to verse 7 what are these gifts to be used for?
 - dd) “is given” – present tense, habitual action
 - e) List the various gifts mentioned and the importance of these gifts:
 - 1)
 - 2)
 - 3)
 - 4)
 - 5)
 - 6)
 - 7)
 - 8)
 - 9)
 - 10) not exhaustive list
 - f) Again, what do these gifts have in common, how and why are they to be used?

New Section... One Body, Many Parts

- 5) What are some goals a gathering of believers will look to carry out?
- 6) As we seek to carry out these goals, what do God’s people want to keep in mind about who is carrying out the goals?
- 7) To highlight this last point, what is it we receive at our Baptism and when we receive the Lord’s Supper?

1 Corinthians 13:1-13

New Section...Love

- 1) To sum up this chapter we could say: You may be a 'know it all' / you may be generous but ...
- 2) What is it that is to motivate our actions and reactions, and why is this to be the case?
 - a) Romans 12:1,2 (3-21) = JOY
 - b) 2 Corinthians 5:14,15
 - c) 1 John 4:9-12
- 3) Even though it is good to have a child-like faith, what benefit is there (should be there) in growing up?
- 4) How can love be considered the greatest between faith and hope?

1 Corinthians 14:1-40

New Section...Gifts of Prophecy and Tongues

- 1) While speaking in tongues is 'cool,' what though is more important and for the greater good?
- 2) Vs. 12 ties this conversation together by making what point?
- 3 Key verse: 19. Why?
- 4) In connection with verses 22ff, what is to be the point of the worship service?

New Section...Orderly Worship

- 5) Key Verse: 33 (see vs. 40 also). How do 'order' and 'peace' go together?
- 6) Who is to be responsible for the worship services being conducted in good order?
- 7) Were/Are women forbidden from all participation in a worship service?

1 Corinthians 15:1-58

New Section...The Resurrection of Christ

- 1) How does the resurrection of the Christ not help someone?
- 2) What did Paul receive which he did not deserve?
 - a) How does apply to you and me?
 - b) What is the significance or impact of this truth as we apply it to our world today?

New Section...The Resurrection of the Dead

- 3) What point is made in vs. 19? Explain the rationale behind this statement.
- 4) In verses 20-28 there are multiple teachings wrapped up in a few verses. What are they?
- 5) What 'parental' advice is offered toward the end of this section?

New Section...The Resurrection Body

- 6) What would you like to know about Heaven?
 - a) What facts are we able to gather regarding Heaven?
 - b) What is the role of the trumpet?
- 7) What has happened to the power of sin and death?
- 8) Expound on the phrase...
 - a) "Let nothing move you"
 - b) "Give yourselves fully to the work of the Lord"

1 Corinthians 16:1-24

New Section...The Collection for God's People

- 1) Why was there collection to be gathered?
- 2) What principles of giving are set forth in this section and why are such to our advantage to follow?

New Section...Personal Requests

- 3) What was on Paul's heart and mind at this time?
- 4) Was it necessary to repeat what said in verses 13 & 14?

New Section...Final Greetings

- 5) What two words sum up not only Paul's attitude toward these believers, but also the Lord's?

