

# A Survey of the New Testament

## Lesson 11: 1 Corinthians

### “A Disorderly Church”

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**Summary:** Paul wrote to give the Corinthians some hard teaching about Christlikeness in their church.

#### Important People:

- Paul: The author
- Timothy: The messenger
- \_\_\_\_\_: An important Bible teacher in Corinth

#### Author: \_\_\_\_\_

- He identified himself as the author (1 Cor. 1:1; 16:21).
- He was unanimously identified as the author by the early church fathers as early as AD \_\_\_\_\_.

#### Recipients:

- Church at Corinth
  - This church was started on Paul’s \_\_\_\_\_ missionary journey (Acts 18:1, 4-11).
- Corinth was an extremely corrupt city.
  - Its location on a narrow isthmus meant it was a crossroads of ancient trade.
  - Many old Roman \_\_\_\_\_ lived there.
  - It was the headquarters of immoral Aphrodite worship (1 Cor. 6:9-11).

#### Key Theme: Sanctification

- \_\_\_\_\_ Sanctification
  - All Christians are set apart by God to holy.
  - The Corinthians were made holy by their salvation.
    - *But ye are washed, but ye are sanctified, but ye are justified.*
  - Sanctification \_\_\_\_\_ their salvation.
    - *Such were some of you...*
- \_\_\_\_\_ Sanctification: The perpetual process of growth and becoming more mature and Christlike.
  - God can – and will – save the most depraved sinners when they call out to Him.
  - “Carnal” Christians should progressively grow after salvation.
  - 1 Corinthians addresses many different aspects of this disorderly church’s immature relationships with other \_\_\_\_\_.

**Date:**

- After his second missionary journey (Acts 18:21-22).
- During his \_\_\_\_\_ missionary journey (Acts 18:23; 19:1, 10-12; 1 Cor. 16:5-9).
- From \_\_\_\_\_ before going to Corinth.
- Around AD 55-56

**Book Content Overview:**

- Introduction (1:1-9)
- Disorderliness of \_\_\_\_\_ (1:10-4:21)
  - The fallacy of a divided church (1:10-31)
  - Paul's message: Jesus crucified (2:1-16)
  - Spiritual teachers are below Christ (3:1-23).
  - Follow Paul as a spiritual father (4:1-16).
  - Timothy's journey (4:17-21)
- Disorderliness of \_\_\_\_\_ (5:1-13)
- Disorderliness of \_\_\_\_\_ (6:1-8)
- Disorderliness of \_\_\_\_\_ (6:9-7:40)
  - Fornication makes two people one illegitimately (6:9-20).
  - Marriage, however, is honorable (7:1-40).
- Disorderliness of Abused \_\_\_\_\_ (8:1-10:33).
  - We can eat meat with knowledge (8:1-6).
  - But eating may offend (8:7-13).
  - Paul's apostolic example (9:1-27).
  - The example of Israel (10:1-14)
  - Conclusion: Do not eat meat if it will give offense (10:15-33).
- Disorderliness of \_\_\_\_\_ (11:1-14:40)
  - Head coverings in church (11:1-16)
  - Lord's Supper (11:17-34)
  - Spiritual gifts (12:1-31)
  - The best way: Love (13:1-13)
  - Use of gifts in church (14:1-40)
- Disorderliness of False \_\_\_\_\_ (15:1-58)
- Conclusion (16:1-24)

**Application: "Love one another as I have loved you."**