

November 30/Day 334

1 Corinthians 5

Verses 1-2

- Besides the quarreling among them which we saw yesterday, what else was going on?
- Leviticus 18:8 (NIV) says, "Do not have sexual relations with your father's wife; that would dishonor your father." Other versions say, "uncover your father's nakedness" which means the same thing.
- How had the church responded to this sin?

Verses 3-5

- Who is "I" in this passage? Do you remember who is authoring this letter?
- What had he decided to do with the immoral man? What do you think this means and what does he say is his purpose?

Verses 6-8

- We use the word boasting in regard to bragging, but to boast means to trust in something.

Verses 9-13

- Which immoral people did Paul say not to associate with?
- Would you have to make a judgment about someone's behavior in order to know if it is immoral? For those who say we are never to judge based on Matthew 7:1, but not the whole context of the passage, keep reading.
- Who are believers to judge and not to judge?
- If you took a look back at Matthew 7, you would see that the purpose for the judging is not to condemn the person, God does that. The purpose is to lovingly help a brother remove a splinter from his eye so he can see clearly, but we only do this with someone with whom we have a relationship, not just an acquaintance, and we only do this in love after having removed the log from our eye, so we don't injure our brother when we help him remove the splinter.

1 Corinthians 6

Verses 1-6

- What should believers do when they have a case against his neighbor?
- Who will judge the world? Who is this?
- Who will judge the angels?

- Paul has been talking about the wisdom of the world versus the wisdom of God in previous chapters. What does this have to do with deciding cases between brothers?

Verses 7-8

- Why is this shameful and a defeat for believers?

Verses 9-11

- This is another of those patterns of life passages. These patterns of life indicate a person is not a believer. Name those patterns of life by which the person will not inherit the kingdom of heaven.
- Look at verse 11, what is the contrast?

Verses 12-20

- Paul, as a believer, no longer lives under the law. Explain verse 12.
- What does verse 12 have to do with the previous passage describing patterns of life, and the rest of this passage describing immorality with our bodies?

1 Corinthians 7

Verses 1-7

- Why would it be good for a man not to touch a woman?
- What does he mention about married couples?
- What would be the purpose of having a temporary agreement to abstain?

Verses 8-9

- Notice “with passion” is added here. Some will teach this means to burn in hell, but hell is not in the context here. It is burning desire.

Verses 10-11

- What instruction does Paul give to the married?

Verses 12-16

- Explain Paul’s teaching about unequal marriages.
- Sanctified means to be set apart.

Verses 17-20

- Do you remember the Jerusalem Council?

Verses 21-24

- What is this passage about?

Verses 25-31

- Paul is still talking about remaining in your condition.

Verses 32-35

- How can marriage divide our interests?

Verses 36-38

- In this culture, could a father choose to not allow his daughter to marry?

Verses 39-40

- This is still in the context of devotion to God. This is not about being in adultery if you are divorced then remarried. Many take this passage out of context.

1 Corinthians 8

Verses 1-3

- What does knowledge without love do?

Verses 4-6

- There are such things as idols, but are they really gods?

Verses 7-13

- How are some defiled by eating food sacrificed to idols and some are not?
- How can our liberties affect others?

See you tomorrow.