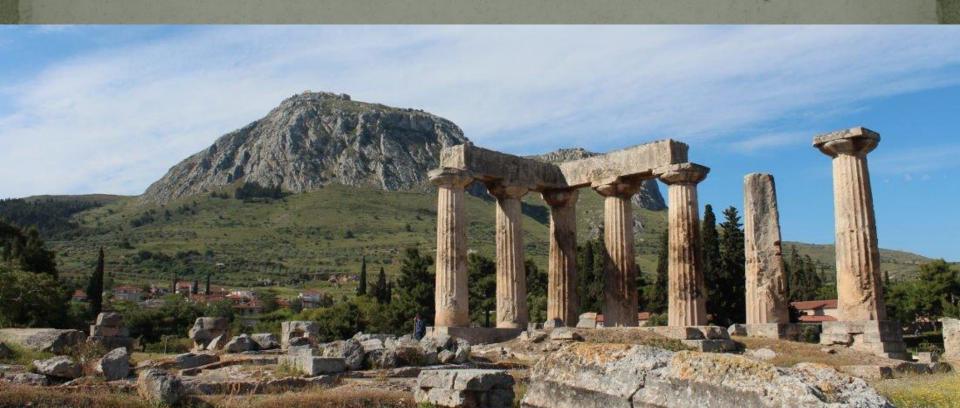


1st CORINTHIANS

84th Street church of Christ – March - May, 2022



Outline

I. Introduction (1:1-9)

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- A. Problem of Factionalism (1:10-3:23)
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 - E. Responsibility to Glorify God with the Body (6:12-20)

III. Dealing with Questions Asked by the Corinthians (7:1-16:9)

- A. "Now Concerning" Marriage and Present Distress (7:1-40)
- B. "Now Concerning" Idolatry and Personal Liberty (8:1 11:1)
 - C. "Now... Remember Me" and Apostolic Tradition
 - 1. Submission and Customs (11:2-16)
 - 2. Pattern for Lord's Supper (11:17-34)
 - D. "Now Concerning" Spiritual Gifts (12:1 14:40)
 - E. "Now..." Concerning The Resurrection (15:1-58)
 - F. "Now Concerning" The Collection (16:1-9)

IV. Concluding Remarks (16:10-24)

- The necessity of both knowledge and love (V.1-3)
 - V.1a Concerning the thing offered to idols
 - V.1b-2 Knowledge alone causes problems
 - Knowledge puffs up proud, having an exaggerated self-conception
 - Love edifies builds up
 - V.3 We are to love God, in doing so we are known by Him

- Facts of the matter (v.4-8)
 - V.4-6 An idol is nothing
 - There is one God v.4
 - Some claim there are many gods and lords v.5
 - There is one God v.6

- Facts of the matter (v.4-8)
 - V.7 However, some have a conscience of the idol, and their weak conscience is defiled by the eating of meats offered to idols
 - This is due to their past life and meat being offered to an idol
 - V.8 The eating of the meat offered to idols is a matter of indifference to God
 - You are not better if you do, or if you don't eat the meat

- Application of the facts (v.9-13)
 - V.9 Do not take this liberty and cause a brother to stumble
 - V.10-11 Eating meat that has been offered to an idol can cause one with a conscience of the idol to eat the meat, violating their conscience
 - Romans 14:23 "he who doubt is condemned if he eats... whatever is not from faith is sin"

- Application of the facts (v.9-13)
 - V.12 When you do this, you sin against your brother and sin against Christ
 - This is not an innocent action you cause a brother to do something he is not sure is right
 - V.13 If something is a matter of indifference to God, give preference, and avoid it so you do not cause your brother to stumble
 - Avoid it and work to teach the truth –
 Remember your purpose