

Paul's Epistle of

1st CORINTHIANS

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



Outline

I. Introduction (1:1- 9)

II. Dealing with Problems Reported to Paul (1:10 – 6:20)

A. Problem of Factionalism (1:10 – 3:23)

B. Problem of Rejecting Paul's Work (4:1-21)

C. Problem of the Fornicator and Church Discipline (5:1-13)

D. Taking Problems between Brethren to Civil Courts (6:1-11)

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)

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- 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

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- 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

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- 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

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- 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”

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- 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