

First Corinthians

Author: Paul, the Apostle

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Recipients: the Church at Corinth

Theme: The Lordship of Christ

Key Verse: 1:2

“...to the church of God which is at Corinth, to those who have been sanctified in Christ Jesus, saints by calling, with all who in every place call upon the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, their *Lord* and ours,,,”

Introduction (1:1-9)

1. General Salutation (1:1-3)
2. Personal Salutation (1:4-9)

I. PAUL RESPONDS TO REPORTS FROM CORINTH (1:10-6:20).

1. He Responds to the Report of Ecclesiastical Division (1:10-4:21).
2. He Responds to the Report of Gross Immorality (5:1-13).
3. He Responds to the Report of Litigation Among Believers (6:1-11).
4. He Responds with Sound Instruction Regarding Morality for Believers (6:12-20).

II. PAUL REPLIES TO QUESTIONS FROM THE CORINTHIAN CHURCH (7:1-16:9).

1. He Replies to the Questions on Social Irregularities (7:1-11:1).
2. He Replies to Questions on Behavior In Public Worship (11:2-14:40)
3. He Replies to Questions about Bodily Resurrection (15:1-58).
4. He Urges Compliance with the Collection for the Jerusalem Church (16:1-9).

Conclusion (16:10-24)