

June 6, 2021

Paul's Letter to Corinth

Session 1



TWEEN MINISTRY

5TH - 6TH GRADE

Hi Everyone,

Well, we are starting a new summer series. For the next 13 weeks we will be in 1 Corinthians, 2 Corinthians, and a lot of time in Acts, have finished this Explore the Bible Spring 2021 lessons. In this week's lesson **"Paul's Letter to Corinth"** we learn that the city of Corinth was one of the major cities in the New Testament era. Paul spent 18 months in the city early in his ministry. It's not a surprise that this first letter to Corinth is, in places, quite harsh since Paul has spent so much time personally preaching the gospel and caring for this congregation.



Here are this week's random questions:

1. **Question 159: The Beatles or Rolling Stones?**
Beatles
2. **Question 603: How close are you to your family?** *On a scale of 1-10; 8*

3. **Question 1302: What makes you feel rested and refreshed?** *Over 8 hours of sleep!*

Text Truth: *The church should be unified in our mission to share the gospel.*

Bible Passage: 1 Corinthians 1; 3

Memory Verse: 2 Corinthians 5:17

Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, the new creation has come. The old has gone, the new is here!

Bible Verse: 1 Corinthians 1;10

I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you agree with one another in what you say and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be perfectly united in mind and thought.

Bible Skills Spotlight: Identifies prominent Bible people by the books in which their stories are recorded. Names the 10 divisions of the Old and New Testament in a limited time frame and identifies examples of books in each division.

Paul had visited the city of Corinth. He stayed for a year and a half, then he traveled to other cities. A man named Apollos traveled to Corinth and told many people about Jesus and helped many people grow in their faith.

Later Paul heard some bad news, the church in Corinth was having problems. The people were not getting along! Paul wrote a letter to remind the people that God's people should have unity.

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"I have heard that you are arguing. Why are you saying 'I belong to Paul' or 'I belong to Apollos' or 'I belong to Cephas?' There should be no arguing. You should be united in the gospel."

Paul continued, "To those who do not believe in Jesus, the news of the cross seems foolish. But for those who do believe, it is the power of God. What the world sees as wise, God reveals is foolish. Our message is that Jesus dies on the cross for our sin. What the world sees as God's foolishness, it is fact wiser than human wisdom. What they see as God's weakness is stronger than human strength. Those the world sees as insignificant and despised; God has chosen to share His message. Through Christ we have been redeemed. We have righteousness and sanctification because of Jesus not because of anything we do."

Paul told the Corinthians that they were baby Christians who were still drinking milk instead of eating real food. The people were full of jealousy and arguing.

One of the things the people were arguing about was whether they followed Paul or Apollos. Paul reminded the believers that both he and Apollos were servants of Jesus. God used both men to help



people learn about Jesus. Paul said, "I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the growth." Paul wanted

the people to understand that God gives His people different gifts, and God used all of them to help people grown in their faith. Paul reminded the people that all believers are united because they are connected through Jesus Christ.

GRAB YOUR BIBLE AND OPEN TO THE BOOK OF 1 CORINTHIANS

Paul wrote two letters to Corinth included in the Bible. They are First and Second Corinthians. Both books are part of the genre of letters."

Memorize this Text Truth: The church should be unified in our mission to share the gospel.

"What do you think it means for a church to be unified?" (all the people in the church share the same goals and work together toward it)

"This is what Paul wanted for the people in Corinth."

READ 1 Corinthians 1:10

READ 1 Corinthians 3:9-11

"What does it mean to you Jesus is the foundation – the One that we build upon?"

"What would happen if a coach called a team together for a big game, but when the game started, one person started playing basketball, one person started playing baseball, and another started playing soccer?"

"Problems can grow in a church when different people aren't focused on the same thing. We're not playing a game, but we should be focused on one goal; sharing the gospel."



PRAYER

Prayer For Unity in the Body of Christ

Heavenly Father, we come before you to magnify and glorify your name. We, as the body of Christ, give you all the praise and honor you deserve. We pray for unity in the body of Christ today, as we pray

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together as a congregation. For we know, where two or more are gathered in your name, you are with us, Oh Lord.

**PLEASE DON'T FORGET TO SAY A PRAYER
FOR THE MISSION TEAM LEAVING FOR GHANA
ON JUNE 18-JULY 4!**

**“Remember God IS with you always
and He hears your prayers.”**

If you have any prayer requests, please send them to **cameronfamily10@gmail.com**.

Remember to wash your hands, LAUGH, have a blessed week, watch or come to church Sunday morning, and remember

**GOD LOVES YOU AND SO DO
WE.**

Elizabeth* and *Steve