



# CORINTHIANS

*A Passion for God's People*

## 1 Corinthians 1:4-7

I always thank my God for you because of His grace given you in Christ Jesus. For in Him you have been enriched in every way—with all kinds of speech and with all knowledge—God thus confirming our testimony about Christ among you. Therefore you do not lack any spiritual gift as you eagerly wait for our Lord Jesus Christ to be revealed.



Our vision at King Street is to establish clear and intentional pathways of discipleship development so that all of us will be actively engaged in using our spiritual gifts to live out God's unique call upon our lives.

**What are you doing  
with what God  
has given you?**

**GOD'S PURPOSE –**

**MY PLACE**



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- Prayer
- Baptism
- L3 Groups
- Partnership
- SS Classes
- Ways to Serve

*Let's find where you fit!*



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49-52AD

# Paul's Second Missionary Journey



- Acts 18
- 18 Months in Corinth
- 51AD (Gallio)
- Aquila & Priscilla
- Titius Justice/Crispus/Sosthenes/Chloe

Jerusalem

49-52AD

# Paul's Second Missionary Journey



- Paul left A&P in Ephesus
- Wrapped up the trip in Jerusalem
- A&P Discipled Apollos in Ephesus
- Apollos goes to Corinth as "the Pastor"

# Paul's Third Missionary Journey



After returning home to Tarsus for a few months, Paul heads back to Ephesus, where he stays for 3 years.



54AD

MACEDONIA

Rome

Byzantium

BITHYNIA

Thessalonica

Philippi

MYSIA

TURKEY

Troas

ACHAIA

GALATIA

ASIA

Antioch

Corinth

Athens

Ephesus

Lystra

Apollos

Paul

Tarsus

SYRIA

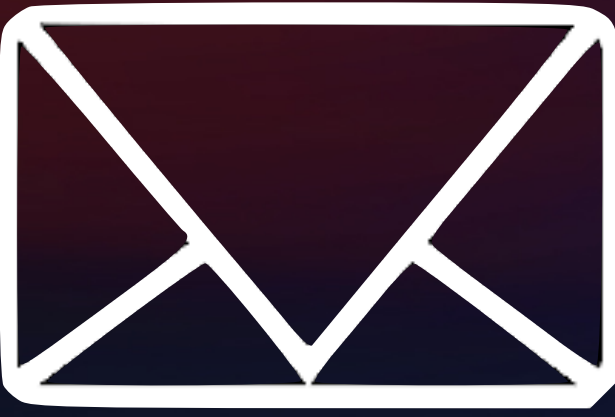
CYPRUS

Jerusalem

The news is not good!



1 Cor. 1:11



1 Cor. 7:1

## 1 Corinthians 1:10-17

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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. My brothers and sisters, some from Chloe's household have informed me that there are quarrels among you. What I mean is this: One of you says, "I follow Paul"; another, "I follow Apollos"; another, "I follow Cephas"; still another, "I follow Christ."

## 1 Corinthians 1:10-17

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Is Christ divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Were you baptized in the name of Paul? I thank God that I did not baptize any of you except Crispus and Gaius, so no one can say that you were baptized in my name. (Yes, I also baptized the household of Stephanas; beyond that, I don't remember if I baptized anyone else.) For Christ did not send me to baptize, but to preach the gospel—not with wisdom and eloquence, lest the cross of Christ be emptied of its power.

## 1 Corinthians 3:1-9

<sup>1</sup> Brothers and sisters, I could not address you as people who live by the Spirit but as people who are still worldly—mere infants in Christ. I gave you milk, not solid food, for you were not yet ready for it. Indeed, you are still not ready. You are still worldly. For since there is jealousy and quarreling among you, are you not worldly? Are you not acting like mere humans? For when one says, "I follow Paul," and another, "I follow Apollos," are you not mere human beings?

## 1 Corinthians 3:1-9

<sup>5</sup> What, after all, is Apollos? And what is Paul? Only servants, through whom you came to believe—as the Lord has assigned to each his task. I planted the seed, Apollos watered it, but God has been making it grow. So neither the one who plants nor the one who waters is anything, but only God, who makes things grow. The one who plants and the one who waters have one purpose, and they will each be rewarded according to their own labor. For we are co-workers in God's service; you are God's field, God's building.

## 1 Corinthians 3:16-23

<sup>16</sup> Don't you know that you yourselves are God's temple and that God's Spirit dwells in your midst? If anyone destroys God's temple, God will destroy that person; for God's temple is sacred, and you together are that temple. ...<sup>21</sup> So then, no more boasting about human leaders! All things are yours, whether Paul or Apollos or Cephas or the world or life or death or the present or the future— all are yours, and you are of Christ, and Christ is of God.

**Chloe's people have informed Paul of four major problems that are plaguing the church in Corinth:**

- **Division & Factions (1:10-3:23)**
  - **Incest (5:1-13)**
  - **Internal Lawsuits (6:1-11)**
- **Sexual Immorality (6:12-20)**

**Satan is doing everything in  
his power to destroy the  
church in Corinth.**

**Does this sound familiar?**

“Paul sought to address a growing number of problems dividing the church—effects of its diverse membership of Jews and Gentiles, its rocky beginning of persecution, and the corrupt religious and moral culture in which he ministered. As the lights dim on our own culture and our churches begin to look more and more like the disheveled, self-serving church in Corinth, Paul’s words to that fragmented church take on greater import and more urgent practicality.”

Pastor Chuck Swindoll



**“Lord, keep us together.”**

**United we stand.**

**Divided we fall.**

Why is unity important?

*Because we are of Christ,  
and Christ is of God,  
and God isn't divided.*

*(vv. 13-17)*

# How do we maintain unity?

1) Focus on the Cross. (1:18-2:5)

2) Seek True Spiritual Wisdom. (2:6-16)

3) Acknowledge the Equality of  
all Believers. (3:1-23)

# Communion

Remembering His sacrifice.



