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1 Corinthians 6 (part 1)

Scripture Memory

*Take ... the sword of the Spirit, which is the **word** of God.
(Ephesians 6:17)*

Method For Long Term Scripture Memory:

- Day 1: 25 times aloud with appropriate inflection in voice.
- Day 2: 20 times
- Day 3: 15 times
- Day 4: 10 times
- Day 5: 5 times
- Then daily for 45-60 days.
- Weekly for one year.
- Monthly for 2-3 years.
- 2-3 times per year for life.

1 Corinthians 6:1-11: Remember Who You Are and What Has Been Done for You

And they sang a new song, saying: “You are worthy to take the scroll and to open its seals, because you were slain, and with your blood you purchased for God persons from every tribe and language and people and nation. You have made them to be a kingdom and priests to serve our God, and they will reign on the earth.” (Revelation 5:9-10)

1 Corinthians 6:1-8

What happened in Corinth?

1. Two people/groups have some sort of disagreement or accusation against one another.
2. They are unable to solve it on their own.
3. So, they take the fight against each other to the courts (outside the church).

***** YOU HAVE ALREADY LOST! *****

Why was it so wrong for them to take fellow church members to court?

- Because they are making Jesus look bad by their fighting.
- Because they have forgotten who they are. (as those who will judge the world, those who will judge angels, those who are indwelt by Almighty God, ...)
- Because Jesus commanded us: to make peace right away, to give someone who is suing us (for our shirt) our coat also, to consider others before ourselves...
- Because Jesus has forgiven us so much, we can forgive each other. (verses 9-11)

The Parable of the Unmerciful Servant:

1 Corinthians 6:9-11

You were great sinners.

You used to be full of sexual sins.

You used to be thieves.

You used to be greedy.

You used to be swindlers and drunkards.

But God has forgiven and transformed you.

*But you were WASHED,
you were SANTIFIED,
you were JUSTIFIED*

*...in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and by the Spirit of our
God. (1 Corinthians 6:11)*

Applications:

- In my relationships with other believers,
- My goal is to understand and seek peace.
- To refrain from judging when it is not necessary or productive.
- To think the best rather than the worst.
- To forgive freely even when I am hurt.
- To ask forgiveness when I have hurt others.
- To pray God's blessing on those I would rather cancel.
- To ask God to change me before I ask Him to change others.
- To be as gentle, patient, and kind with those who irritate me as God is with me.
- To seek to apply the Fruit of the Spirit with those who I don't like as well as those I do like.
- To think about my relationship in light of eternity.
- To give up my "rights" to my attitudes, judgements, harsh words, gossip, hard feelings, and desires for retribution in place of the attitudes of Jesus. (TJ Addington)

HOME GROUP questions for 1 Corinthians 6:1-8...

1. What ramifications are there to believers suing other believers? What is the effect on the church's testimony? What does this indicate about the believers? Why do you think it is not a good thing?
2. Is it practical to think that there are elders/judges in church who can settle disputes? Is this a reasonable goal today? What roadblocks to this do you for see? What should you do if your church isn't set up for this? (See verse 7)
3. What was especially hypocritical about the Corinthians' action in chapter 6, when considering their lack of action against the sinning brother in chapter 5?
4. Why is it foolish to take such matters of spiritual judgment before the "unrighteous" (6:1 & 9)? What has Paul been trying to get them to understand about the wisdom of the world (1:20; 3:19-20)? Why does it fail (read James 4:1-4)?
5. In what sense do saints judge angels (6:3)? How will we judge wicked angels (2 Peter 2:4; Jude 6; Matthew 12:41-42)? How will we judge other angels (2 Timothy 2:12; Revelation 2:26-27)?