

[1 Corinthians]

Lesson 6

**Disputes (*argue*) Between Believers;
Our Bodies Belong to God.
(1 Corinthian 6:1-20)**



1. Corinthian Believers Were Taking One Another Before Unsaved Judges.



(1 Corinthians 6:1) *Dare (try) any of you (church member), having a matter [problem] against another, go to law before the unjust (not Christian), and not before the saints (Christians—[church members])?*



[Romans 13:1-7] God has given us government because people are sinners and do wrong to one another.

(1 Corinthians 6:2) *Do ye not know that the saints (Christians) shall judge the world? and if the world shall be judged by you, are ye unworthy (not good) to judge the smallest matters (problems)?*



[1 Cor. 5:12-13] Now we do not judge the world.

(1 Corinthians 6:3) *Know ye not that we shall judge angels? how much more things that pertain (**about**) to this life [**now in the world among us**]?*



[Eph. 2:1-2] Satan's angels (spirits) work in unbelievers.

(1 Corinthians 6:4) *If then ye have judgments of things pertaining (**about**) to this life, set them to judge who are least esteemed (**baby Christians**) in the church.*



*A baby Christian judging according to the Bible is still better than an unsaved person judging according to the world.

*(1 Corinthians 6:5-6) I speak to your shame. Is it so, that there is not a wise man among you? no, not one that shall be able to judge between his brethren?
(6) But brother goeth to law with brother, and that before the unbelievers.*



(1 Corinthians 6:7-8) *Now therefore there is utterly (full) a fault (wrong) among you, because ye go to law one with another. Why do ye not rather (different) take wrong (accept hurt)? why do ye not rather (different) suffer (allow) yourselves to be defrauded (cheat/steal/lie) [accept loss]? (8) Nay (no), ye do wrong, and defraud (cheat/steal/lie), and that your brethren.*

1. Accept loss for the sake of Christ.
2. But you do opposite; you hurt others.



2. The Corinthians Believers Failed to Understand that They Are Different from the World (Unbelievers)



(1 Corinthians 6:9-10) *Know ye not that the unrighteous (**not Christian**) shall not inherit (**receive**) the kingdom of God? Be not deceived (**fooled**): neither fornicators (**sex sin**), nor idolaters, nor adulterers (**sex sin**), nor effeminate (**[homosexual—sex sin]**), nor abusers of themselves with mankind (**[homosexual—sex sin]**), (10) Nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers (**speak bad against**), nor extortioners (**thieves**), shall inherit the kingdom of God.*



(1 Corinthians 6:11) *And such (same—sinners) were some of you: but ye are **washed**, but ye are **sanctified**, but ye are **justified** in the name of the Lord Jesus, and by the Spirit of our God.*

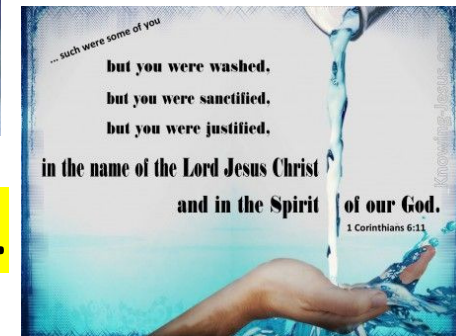


Washed: Sins removed by Blood of Christ.

Sanctified: Separated for Christ's Service.



Justified: Clothed in Christ's righteousness



3. The Corinthian Believers Failed to Understand Their Freedom.



(1 Corinthians 6:12) *All things are lawful (allow) unto me, but all things are not expedient (good—help): all things are lawful (allow) for me, but I will not be brought under the power (control) of any.*



(1 Corinthians 6:13-14) *Meats (food) for the belly, and the belly (stomach) for meats: but God shall destroy both it (belly) and them (food). Now the body is not for fornication (sex sin), but for the Lord; and the Lord for the body. (14) And God hath both raised up the Lord, and will also raise up us by his own power.*



*You can eat what you want even if it is not good; your stomach and food are not eternal.

**However, sexual sin is not allowed because it is sin against your body. Your body is God's house, and God will raise up your body so that it will continue forever.

(1 Corinthians 6:15-17) *Know ye not that your bodies are the members of Christ? shall I then take the members of Christ, and make them the members of an harlot (woman—sex sin)? God forbid (NO!!!).*
(16) *What? know ye not that he which is joined to an harlot is one body? for two, saith he, shall be one flesh (body).* (17) *But he that is joined unto the Lord is one spirit.*



[Rom. 6:1-4] We are joined to Christ—one spirit with Christ (we are members of Christ's body).

[Gen. 2:24] Husband must only be joined to his wife; We must only be joined to Jesus—NOT sin, Satan, or the world.

(1 Corinthians 6:18) *Flee fornication (**sex sin**). Every sin that a man doeth is without (**outside**) the body; but he that committeth (**does**) fornication (**sex sin**) sinneth against his own body.*



(1 Corinthians 6:19) What? know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost which is in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own?



(1 Corinthians 6:20) *For ye are bought with a price: therefore glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are God's.*



[Eph. 1:7] But we are now bought by God. The price God paid for us to be His servants was the Blood of Jesus.