

PAUL'S SECOND EPISTLE TO THE CORINTHIANS

LEARNING HOW TO BE A HEAVENLY CHURCH IN A CARNAL WORLD

2 CORINTHIANS CHAPTER 6:11-7:1

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THE TITLE OF THE MESSAGE:

COME OVER HERE !

developing and maintaining your new life in Christ.

Part 2

SUBJECT TOPICALLY REFERENCED UNDER:

Love, Heart, Ministry, Church, Family, Holiness

Introduction to the Text;

2nd Corinthians 6:11-7:1

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O Corinthians! We have **spoken openly** to you, our heart is wide open. **12** You are not **restricted** by us, but you are restricted by your own affections. **13** Now in return for the same (I speak as to children), you also be open. **:14** Do not be unequally yoked together with unbelievers. For what fellowship has righteousness with lawlessness? And what communion has light with darkness? **15** And what accord has Christ with Belial? Or what part has a believer with an unbeliever? **16** And what agreement has the temple of God with idols? For you are the temple of the living God. As God has said: "I will dwell in them And walk among them. I will be their God, And they shall be My people." **17** Therefore "Come out from among them And be separate, says the Lord. Do not touch what is unclean, And I will receive you." **18** "I will be a Father to you, And you shall be My sons and daughters, Says the LORD Almighty." **7:1** Therefore, having these promises, beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God.

Recapping Last Weeks Message

COME OVER HERE

1.) **And hear**

v. 11-16

COME OVER HERE "AND HEAR"

1a.) **Hear the heart**

v. 11-13

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1b.) **Hear the wisdom**

v. 14

:14 Do not be **unequally yoked** together with **unbelievers**. For what **fellowship** has **righteousness** with **lawlessness**? And what **communion** has **light** with **darkness**?

Picking Up Where We Left Off

COME OVER HERE “AND HEAR”

1c.) Hear the reality

v. 15-16

15 And what **accord** has **Christ** with **Belial**? Or what **part** has a **believer** with an **unbeliever**?
16 And what **agreement** has the **temple** of **God** with **idols**? For **YOU** are the temple of the living God. As God has said: “I will dwell **in THEM** And walk **among THEM**. I will be **THEIR** God, And **THEY shall be My PEOPLE.**”

Accord συμφώνησις **sumphonesis**, *soom-fo'-nay-sis*; accordance, harmony, symphony. In concert. = **Belial**

Part μέρος **meris**, *mer-ecē'*; what portion, what participation, what league = **unbeliever**

Agreement συγκατάθεσις **sugkatathesis**, *soong-kat-ath'-es-is*; company, team = **idols**

James 3:14-16

But if you have bitter envy and self-seeking in your hearts, do not boast and lie against the truth. **15** This wisdom does not descend from above, but is earthly, sensual, demonic. **16** ***For where envy and self-seeking exist, confusion and every evil thing are there.***

Whenever the Truth is not Maintained in Christian Fellowship,
There will be carnal efforts and carnal acts !

*Whenever we walk in carnal passions or divisions or selfishness,
We are out of step. We play the wrong notes. We can't read the music.*

And the sound of that life is **Noisy. Troublesome. Disunity.**

Verse 16b

For **YOU** are the temple of the living God. As God has said: “I will dwell **in THEM** And walk **among THEM**. I will be **THEIR** God,
And **THEY shall be My PEOPLE.**”

This **“YOU”** are the temple of the living God
and

“I will dwell in **“THEM”** And walk among **“THEM”**”

is a powerful and comforting truth regarding God’s literal presence wherever believers come together – specifically it means the **“local church”**

Christianity Advances. And it Advances One Life at a Time.
Everywhere on earth in numbers +/- believers will gather together.

Ezek. 36:27

(God said) **I will put My Spirit within you and cause you to walk in My statutes, and you will keep My judgments and do them.**

The Ancient Hebrews Knew This – But Jews Today Won’t Read It.

Ezek. 37:14

I will put My Spirit in you, and you shall live,

The Book of Revelation opens up with Jesus Christ Himself

Walking in and through the seven golden lampstands

Which He says are **the 7 churches**

Rev. 21:3

And I heard a loud voice from heaven saying, "Behold, the tabernacle of God is with men, and He will dwell with them, and they shall be His people. God Himself will be with them and be their God.

of the church in Thyatira

Rev. 2:20

:20 Nevertheless I have a few things against you, because you allow that woman Jezebel, who calls herself a prophetess, to teach and seduce My servants to commit sexual immorality and eat things sacrificed to idols.

of the church in Philadelphia

Rev. 3:8

"I know your works. See, I have set before you an open door, and no one can shut it; for you have a little strength, you have **kept My word**, and **have not denied My name**.

Paul is Speaking About Absolutes in Opposition.

(There is a Black. There is a White. There is a Good and a Bad.
With God – There is No Grey)

Church – I must confess, I am grieved over the sad weakness of the 21st Century Christian church in America today - - incapable of engagement with the world.

WHEN A LOCAL CHURCH COMPROMISES ITS WITNESS,

IT BECOMES *Like* A DEFILED TEMPLE.

1 Cor. 5:9-11

I wrote to you in my epistle not to keep company with sexually immoral people. **10** Yet I certainly did not mean with the sexually immoral people of this world, or with the covetous, or extortioners, or idolaters, since then you would need to go out of the world. **11** **But now I have written to you not to keep company with anyone**

named a brother,

2 Corinthians 10:3-6

For though we walk in the flesh, we do not war according to the flesh. **4** For the weapons of our warfare are not carnal but mighty in God for pulling down strongholds, **5** casting down arguments and every high thing that exalts itself against the knowledge of God, bringing every thought into captivity to the obedience of Christ, **6** and being ready to punish all disobedience when your obedience is fulfilled.

??? does this act, this deal, this decision or this thought - - belong in the temple ???

1 John 5:20-21

And we know that the Son of God has come and has given us an understanding, that we may know Him who is true; and **we are in Him** who is true, **in His Son Jesus Christ**. This is the true God and eternal life.

21 Little children, keep yourselves from idols. Amen.

1 Corinthians 6:19-20

Or do you not know that your body is the temple of **the Holy Spirit who is in you**, whom you have from God, and you are not your own? **20** For you were bought at a price; therefore glorify God in your body and **in your spirit, which are God's**.

This is a firm rebuke regarding the false doctrine of a Christian being able to be demon possessed. - - it's impossible says God.

2 Tim. 1:13

Hold fast the pattern of sound words which you have heard from me, in faith and love which are in Christ Jesus. 14 That good thing (the gospel) which was committed to you, keep by **the Holy Spirit who dwells in us.**

Conclusion

Romans 8:15-16

For you did not receive the spirit of bondage again to fear, but you received the Spirit of adoption by whom we cry out, "Abba, Father." 16 The Spirit Himself bears witness with our spirit that we are children of God,

>>>> **The Cross, The Christ, The Call** <<<<<

Come Forward for Prayer

————— *End of Study* —————

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