

# LIKEMINDEDNESS

## UNLOCKING UNITY IN PRACTICE

### Part 2 – 1 Corinthians 2-3

Series 14 – A Live Interactive Study

In Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians  
with Dr. Christopher Cone



# BACKGROUND AND CONTEXT

## Setting

Corinth was a major trade city in Achaia.

## Connection

Paul visited during his 1<sup>st</sup> Missionary Journey (Acts 18:1). Stayed and worked with Aquila and Priscilla for a year and a half (Acts 18:2-3,11)

## Timing

During his 3rd Missionary Journey (Acts 19, roughly 54AD) he wrote from Ephesus (1 Cor 16:8)

## Purpose

The Corinthians were immature, showing disunity and impurity. Paul writes to encourage the church to maturity, expressed in unity and purity

# CORE EXHORTATION

Now I exhort you, brethren, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that you all **speak the same** and that there be no divisions among you, but that you **be made complete** in the same mind and in the same judgment. – 1 Corinthians 1:10

# OUTLINE

## 1 Corinthians: Church Age Unity

1:1-9	Commendation
1:10-17	Corinthian Problem: Disunity
1:18-2:16	Humility: Godly Wisdom
3-4:5	The Corinthian Problem: Walking Fleshly –Improper Judgment
4:6-21	The Corinthian Problem: Arrogance
5:1-8	The Corinthian Problem: Immorality
5:9-6:11	Proper Judgment: Judging Within the Church
6:12-20	Morality: Glorify God in Your Body
7	Morality: Regarding Marriage, Condition, & Priority
8	Humility: Christian Liberty & Food
9	Humility: Examples of Christian Liberty
10:1-13	Morality: Example of Immorality: Israel
10:14-33	Proper Judgment & Humility: Matters of Conscience
11:1-16	Proper Judgment & Humility: Headship
11:17-34	The Corinthian Problem: The Lord's Supper Misused
12-14	Proper Judgment & Humility: Spiritual Gifts & Love
15	Motivation & Provision for Righteousness: Resurrection
16	General Instructions & Conclusion

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Socio-Political

Sociopraxy

Ethics

For Believers  
For Unbelievers

is

Metaphysics

Eschatology  
Teleology  
Axiology  
Ontology

Epistemology

Interpreting Authority  
Source of Authority

**WORLDVIEW IMPLICATIONS**



# QUESTIONS FROM 1 CORINTHIANS 2-3

Why is Paul contrasting the “testimony” of God with superior speech and wisdom? 2:1-5

What is God’s plan for our eternal future? 2:6-7

How can we know God’s wisdom is superior? 2:8-13

What are the four kinds of people Paul identifies in 2:14-3:1 and what are their characteristics?

What was the primary Corinthian problem? 3:2-3

What is the basis of equal functional value? 3:4-11

On what is judgment of believers based, and what is the outcome? 3:12-17

What is the value and outcome of God’s wisdom?  
3:18-23



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