

LIKE MINDEDNESS

UNLOCKING UNITY IN PRACTICE

Part 3 – 1 Corinthians 4

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 1st 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

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Metaphysics

Eschatology
Teleology
Axiology
Ontology

Epistemology

Interpreting Authority
Source of Authority

WORLDVIEW IMPLICATIONS



QUESTIONS FROM 1 CORINTHIANS 4

How does Paul describe his ministry? 4:1-4

What are the implications of God's examining of Paul (and others)? 4:4-5

What is Paul wanting the Corinthians to learn, and how is it relevant to Paul's thesis? 4:6

How does Paul challenge the Corinthians to him? 4:7-17

What is significant about the kingdom of God mention in 4:20?

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