





# The Church at Corinth

## part 4





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## 1 Corinthians 1

<sup>1</sup>Paul, called *to be* an apostle of Jesus Christ through the will of God,  
and Sosthenes *our* brother,

<sup>2</sup>To the church of God which is at Corinth, to those who are sanctified in Christ  
Jesus, called *to be* saints, with all who in every place call on the name of Jesus  
Christ our Lord, both theirs and ours:

<sup>3</sup>Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

# The Church at Corinth – letter 1 written about AD 57 -

## 1 Corinthians 1

<sup>11</sup> For it has been declared to me concerning you, my brethren, **by those of Chloe's household**, that there are contentions among you.

## 1 Corinthians 7

<sup>1</sup> Now concerning the things of **which you wrote** to me:

## 1 Corinthians 16

<sup>17</sup> **I am glad about the coming of Stephanas, Fortunatus, and Achaicus**, for what was lacking on your part, **they supplied**.

<sup>18</sup> For they refreshed my spirit and yours. Therefore acknowledge such men.

# The Church at Corinth – letter 1

5 main problem areas

1. Divisions (1 – 4)

groupies

arrogance

2. Sex (5 – 7)

3. Food (8 – 10)

inappropriate behaviour

4. The Gathering (11 – 14)

5. The Resurrection (15)



# The Church at Corinth – letter 1 – The resurrection

## I Corinthians 15

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<sup>3</sup>For I delivered to you first of all that which I also received: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, <sup>4</sup> and that He was buried, and that He rose again the third day according to the Scriptures, <sup>5</sup> and that He was seen by Cephas, then by the twelve. <sup>6</sup>After that He was seen by over five hundred brethren at once, of whom the greater part remain to the present, but some have fallen asleep. <sup>7</sup>After that He was seen by James, then by all the apostles. <sup>8</sup>Then last of all He was seen by me also, as by one born out of due time.

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## Hebrews 9:2

<sup>22</sup> And according to the law almost all things are purified with blood, and **without shedding of blood there is no remission**. (NKJV)

<sup>22</sup> In fact under the Law almost everything is cleansed with blood, and **without the shedding of blood there is no forgiveness** [neither release from sin and its guilt, nor cancellation of the merited punishment]. (AMP)

Remission = the cancellation of a debt, charge, or penalty.

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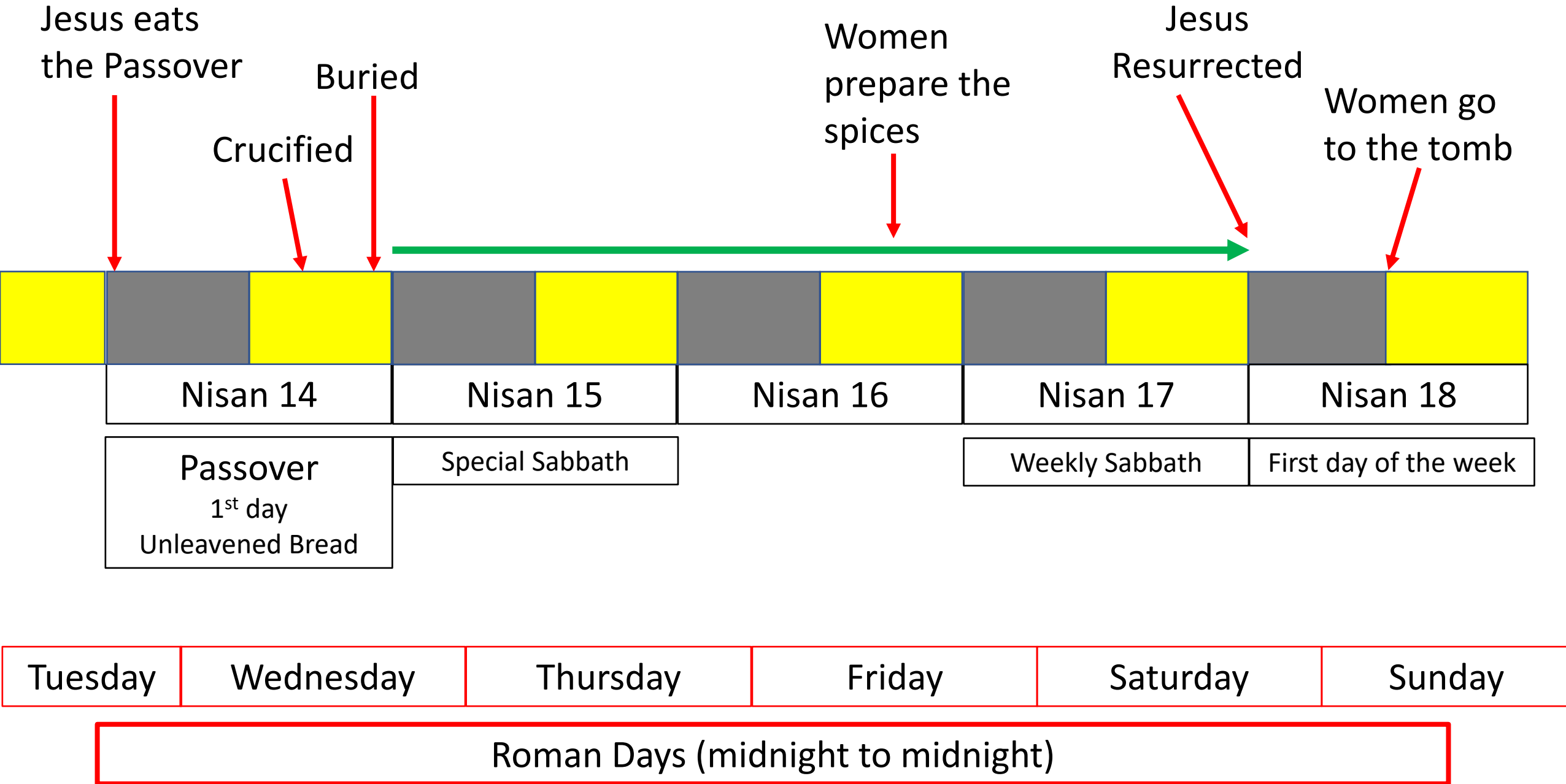
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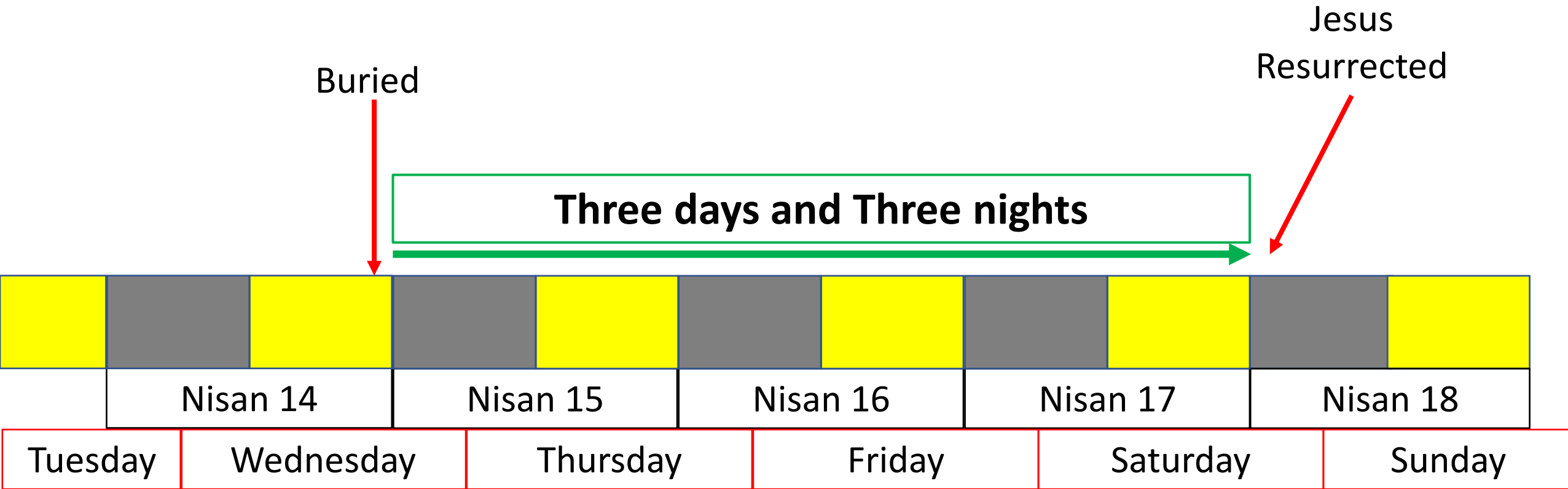


# Crucifixion Week

Abib 31C.E.



# Crucifixion Week



Jesus into the grave Wednesday evening **before** sunset

Jesus rose from the dead **after** sunset Saturday

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## I Corinthians 15

<sup>9</sup> For I am the least of the apostles, who am not worthy to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God.

<sup>10</sup> **But** by the grace of God I am what I am, and His grace toward me was not in vain; but I laboured more abundantly than they all, yet not I, but the grace of God *which was* with me. <sup>11</sup> Therefore, whether *it was* I or they, so we preach and so you believed.

## Revelation 12:10 - 11

<sup>10</sup> Then I heard a loud voice saying in heaven, “Now salvation, and strength, and the kingdom of our God, and the power of His Christ have come, for the accuser of our brethren, who accused them before our God day and night, has been cast down. <sup>11</sup> And they overcame him by **the blood of the Lamb and by the word of their testimony**, and they did not love their lives to the death.



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## I Corinthians 15

<sup>12</sup> Now if Christ is preached that He has been raised from the dead, how do some among you say that there is no resurrection of the dead? <sup>13</sup> **But if there is no resurrection of the dead, then Christ is not risen.**

<sup>14</sup> And if Christ is not risen, then our preaching *is* empty and your faith *is* also empty. <sup>15</sup> Yes, and we are found false witnesses of God, because we have testified of God that He raised up Christ, whom He did not raise up—if in fact the dead do not rise.

<sup>16</sup> For if *the* dead do not rise, then Christ is not risen. <sup>17</sup> **And if Christ is not risen, your faith *is* futile; you are still in your sins!**

<sup>18</sup> Then also those who have fallen asleep in Christ have perished.

<sup>19</sup> If in this life only we have hope in Christ, we are of all men the most pitiable.

# The Church at Corinth – letter 1 – The resurrection

## I Corinthians 15

<sup>20</sup> But now Christ is risen from the dead, *and* has become the firstfruits of those who have fallen asleep.

<sup>21</sup> For since by man *came* death, by Man also *came* the resurrection of the dead.

<sup>22</sup> **For as in Adam all die, even so in Christ all shall be made alive.**

<sup>23</sup> But each one in his own order: Christ the firstfruits, afterward those *who are* Christ's at His coming. <sup>24</sup> Then *comes* the end, when He delivers the kingdom to God the Father, when He puts an end to all rule and all authority and power. <sup>25</sup> For He must reign till He has put all enemies under His feet. <sup>26</sup> The last enemy *that* will be destroyed *is* death. <sup>27</sup> For "He has put all things under His feet." But when He says "all things are put under *Him*," *it is* evident that He who put all things under Him is excepted. <sup>28</sup> Now when all things are made subject to Him, then the Son Himself will also be subject to Him who put all things under Him, that God may be all in all.

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## I Corinthians 15

<sup>29</sup> Otherwise, what will they do who are baptized for the dead, if the dead do not rise at all? Why then are they baptized for the dead? <sup>30</sup> And why do we stand in jeopardy every hour?

<sup>31</sup> I affirm, by the boasting in you which I have in Christ Jesus our Lord, I die daily. <sup>32</sup> If, in the manner of men, I have fought with beasts at Ephesus, what advantage *is it* to me?

If *the* dead do not rise, “Let us eat and drink, for tomorrow we die!”

<sup>33</sup> Do not be deceived: “**Evil company corrupts good habits.**”

<sup>34</sup> **Awake to righteousness, and do not sin**; for some do not have the knowledge of God. I speak *this* to your shame.



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## I Corinthians 15

<sup>35</sup> But someone will say, “**How are the dead raised up?** And with what body do they come?” <sup>36</sup> Foolish one, what you sow is not made alive unless it dies. <sup>37</sup> And what you sow, you do not sow that body that shall be, but mere grain—perhaps wheat or some other *grain*. <sup>38</sup> But God gives it a body as He pleases, and to each seed its own body.

<sup>39</sup> All flesh *is* not the same flesh, but *there is* one **kind** of flesh of men, another flesh of animals, another of fish, *and* another of birds.

<sup>40</sup> *There are* also celestial bodies and terrestrial bodies; but the glory of the celestial *is* one, and the *glory* of the terrestrial *is* another. <sup>41</sup> *There is* one glory of the sun, another glory of the moon, and another glory of the stars; for *one* star differs from *another* star in glory.

# The Church at Corinth – letter 1 – The resurrection

## I Corinthians 15

<sup>42</sup> So also *is* the resurrection of the dead. *The body* is sown in corruption, it is raised in incorruption. <sup>43</sup> It is sown in dishonour, it is raised in glory. It is sown in weakness, it is raised in power. <sup>44</sup> It is sown a natural body, it is raised a spiritual body. There is a natural body, and there is a spiritual body.

<sup>45</sup> And so it is written, “The first man Adam became a living being.” The last Adam *became* a life-giving spirit.

<sup>46</sup> However, the spiritual is not first, but the natural, and afterward the spiritual. <sup>47</sup> The first man *was* of the earth, *made* of dust; the second Man *is* the Lord from heaven. <sup>48</sup> As *was* the *man* of dust, so also *are* those *who are made* of dust; and as *is* the heavenly *Man*, so also *are* those *who are* heavenly.

<sup>49</sup> And as we have **borne the image** of the *man* of dust, we shall also **bear the image** of the heavenly *Man*.

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## I Corinthians 15

<sup>50</sup> Now this I say, brethren, **that flesh and blood cannot inherit the kingdom of God**; nor does corruption inherit incorruption.

<sup>51</sup> Behold, I tell you a mystery: **We shall not all sleep, but we shall all be changed**— <sup>52</sup> in a moment, in the twinkling of an eye, at the last trumpet. **For the trumpet will sound, and the dead will be raised incorruptible, and we shall be changed.**

<sup>53</sup> For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal *must* put on immortality. <sup>54</sup> So when this corruptible has put on incorruption, and this mortal has put on immortality, then shall be brought to pass the saying that is written: “Death is swallowed up in victory.”

<sup>55</sup> **“O Death, where *is* your sting?  
O Hades, where *is* your victory?”**



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<sup>56</sup> The sting of death *is* sin, and the strength of sin *is* the law.

**<sup>57</sup> But thanks *be* to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.**

<sup>58</sup> Therefore, my beloved brethren, **be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord**, knowing that your labour is not in vain in the Lord.

# **The Church at Corinth – letter 1**

## **Where are we at?**

**Do we believe that Jesus died and rose again?**

**Do we believe in the power of that resurrection?**

**(and the power of the blood)**

**Are we seeking to share that good news daily?**

**Are we saved and changed – or still like the world?**

**Full of the Holy Spirit – living in the revelation God has given us?**



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PAUL'S LETTERS AND MISSIONARY JOURNEYS				
YEAR A.D.	MAJOR EVENTS	ACTS	PERIOD	LETTERS
34	Conversion, Damascus, Arabia	9	3 years - Arabia	
37	Jerusalem, Tarsus, Syria, Cilicia			
46-47	Antioch, Jerusalem	11	1 year - Antioch	
48-49	First Missionary Journey and Antioch	13-14		Galatians
50	Jerusalem Council and Antioch	15		
51-53	Second Missionary Journey	16-18	18 months - Corinth	1 Thessalonians 2 Thessalonians
53-54	Antioch			
54-57	Third Missionary Journey	19-21	3 years - Ephesus	1 Corinthians 2 Corinthians Romans
57	Jerusalem Arrest	22-23		
57-59	Caesarea Prisoner	24-26	2 years	
59-60	Journey to Rome	27-28		
60-67 circa	Rome House Arrest	28	5-7 years circa	Ephesians Colossians Philemon Philippians 1 Timothy Titus 2 Timothy