



The Church at Corinth

part 5





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

1 Corinthians 1

¹¹ 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

¹ Now concerning the things of **which you wrote** to me:

1 Corinthians 16

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

¹⁸ 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 – Holiness is real

1 Corinthians 5

¹ It is actually reported *that there is* sexual immorality among you, and such sexual immorality as is not even named among the Gentiles—that a man has his father's wife! ² And you are puffed up, and have not rather mourned, that he who has done this deed might be taken away from among you.

³ For I indeed, as absent in body but present in spirit, have already judged (as though I were present) him who has so done this deed.

⁴ In the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, when you are gathered together, along with my spirit, with the power of our Lord Jesus Christ, ⁵ deliver such a one to Satan for the destruction of the flesh, that his spirit may be saved in the day of the Lord Jesus.

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1 Corinthians 5

⁶ Your glorying *is* not good. Do you not know that a little leaven leavens the whole lump?

⁷ Therefore purge out the old leaven, that you may be a new lump, since you truly are unleavened. For indeed Christ, our Passover, was sacrificed for us. ⁸ Therefore let us keep the feast, not with old leaven, nor with the leaven of malice and wickedness, but with the unleavened *bread* of sincerity and truth.

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1 Corinthians 5

⁹ 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, who is sexually immoral, or covetous, or an idolater, or a reviler, or a drunkard, or an extortioner—not even to eat with such a person.

¹² For what *have I to do* with judging those also who are outside? Do you not judge those who are inside? ¹³ But those who are outside God judges. Therefore “put away from yourselves the evil person.”

The Church at Corinth – letter 1 – Holiness is real

Leviticus – teaches the people about God

good vs bad

clean vs unclean

holy vs unholy

principle – go outside the camp and get clean – then come back and ready to worship.

Leviticus and Corinthians – **“God is Holy”**

The Church at Corinth – letter 1 – Holiness is real

Old Testament – had to follow the rules

New Testament – approach by the blood of the lamb

How do we approach worship?

How do we enter the presence of God?

The Church at Corinth – letter 1 – Holiness is real

Ephesians 2

¹³ But now in Christ Jesus you who once **were far off** have been **brought near** by the blood of Christ.

Hebrews 12

²⁹ For our God *is* a consuming fire.

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1 Corinthians 5

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¹ It is **actually reported** that there is sexual immorality among you, and of a kind that **even pagans do not tolerate**: A man is sleeping with his father's wife. (NIV)

² And **you are puffed up**, and have not rather mourned, that he who has done this deed might be taken away from among you.

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1 Corinthians 5

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⁴ In the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, **when you are gathered together,** along with my spirit, **with the power of our Lord Jesus Christ,** ⁵ deliver such a one to Satan for the destruction of the flesh, **that his spirit may be saved** in the day of the Lord Jesus.

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1 Timothy 1

¹⁸ Timothy, my son, I am giving you this command in keeping with the prophecies once made about you, so that by recalling them you may fight the battle well,

¹⁹ holding on to faith and a good conscience, which some have rejected and so have suffered shipwreck with regard to the faith.

²⁰ Among them are Hymenaeus and Alexander, whom I have handed over to Satan to be taught not to blaspheme.

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Luke 22

³¹ And the Lord said, “Simon, Simon! Indeed, Satan has asked for you, that **he may sift you as wheat.** ³² But I have prayed for you, that your faith should not fail; and **when you have returned to Me, strengthen your brethren.”**

³³ But he said to Him, “Lord, I am ready to go with You, both to prison and to death.”

³⁴ Then He said, “I tell you, Peter, the rooster shall not crow this day before **you will deny three times that you know Me.**”

⁶⁰ But Peter said, “Man, I do not know what you are saying!”

Immediately, while he was still speaking, the rooster crowed. ⁶¹ And the Lord turned and looked at Peter. Then Peter remembered the word of the Lord, how He had said to him, “Before the rooster crows, you will deny Me three times.” ⁶² So Peter went out and **wept bitterly.**

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Luke 22

⁵⁶ And a certain servant girl, seeing him as he sat by the fire, looked intently at him and said, “This man was also with Him.”

⁵⁷ But he denied Him, saying, “Woman, I do not know Him.”

⁵⁸ And after a little while another saw him and said, “You also are of them.”

But Peter said, “Man, I am not!”

⁵⁹ Then after about an hour had passed, another confidently affirmed, saying, “Surely this *fellow* also was with Him, for he is a Galilean.”

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Mark 16

¹ Now when the Sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene, Mary *the mother* of James, and Salome bought spices, that they might come and anoint Him. ² Very early in the morning, on the first *day* of the week, they came to the tomb when the sun had risen. ³ And they said among themselves, “Who will roll away the stone from the door of the tomb for us?” ⁴ But when they looked up, they saw that the stone had been rolled away—for it was very large. ⁵ And entering the tomb, they saw a young man clothed in a long white robe sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed.

⁶ But he said to them, “Do not be alarmed. You seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He is risen! He is not here. See the place where they laid Him. ⁷ **But go, tell His disciples—and Peter**—that He is going before you into Galilee; there you will see Him, as He said to you.”

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John 21

¹⁵ So when they had eaten breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, “Simon, *son* of Jonah, do you love Me more than these?”

He said to Him, “Yes, Lord; You know that I love You.”

He said to him, **“Feed My lambs.”**

¹⁶ He said to him again a second time, “Simon, *son* of Jonah, do you love Me?”

He said to Him, “Yes, Lord; You know that I love You.”

He said to him, **“Tend My sheep.”**

¹⁷ He said to him the third time, “Simon, *son* of Jonah, do you love Me?” Peter was grieved because He said to him the third time, “Do you love Me?”

And he said to Him, “Lord, You know all things; You know that I love You.”

Jesus said to him, **“Feed My sheep”.**

The Church at Corinth – letter 1 –

I Corinthians 15

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

⁵⁸ 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 - Holiness is real

Where are we at?

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

Are we dwelling in the fulness of the Holy Spirit?

Are we living in compromise or are there areas we have compromised?



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I Corinthians 5

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5 main problem areas

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2. Sex (5 – 7)
3. Food (8 – 10)
4. The Gathering (11 – 14)
5. The Resurrection (15)

The Church at Corinth – letter 1

Paul wrote to correct erroneous views in the Corinthian church

Issues in the church – reported from the house of Chloe

- Claims of spiritual superiority over one another contentions/factions (1:1 – 4:21)

- Sexual misbehaviour (5:1 – 13)

- Suing one another in public courts (6:1 – 11)

- Moral Issues (6:12 – 20)

The Church at Corinth – letter 1

Paul wrote to correct erroneous views in the Corinthian church

Issues in the church – reported by letter

- Marriage and celibacy (7:1-40)

- Eating meats sacrificed to idols (8:1-11:1)

- Woman praying and prophesying with heads uncovered (11:2-16)

- The Lord's Supper (11:17-34)

- Spiritual gifts (12:1-14:40)

- Resurrection from the dead (15:1-58)

- Collection for the saints (16:1-4)

- Concluding remarks, instructions, and benediction (16:5-24)

The Church at Corinth – letter 2

Paul wrote to exhort those left in the Corinthian church

To teach on

- Comfort those who truly repented

- Build up true Christian ministry

- Grace of giving to God

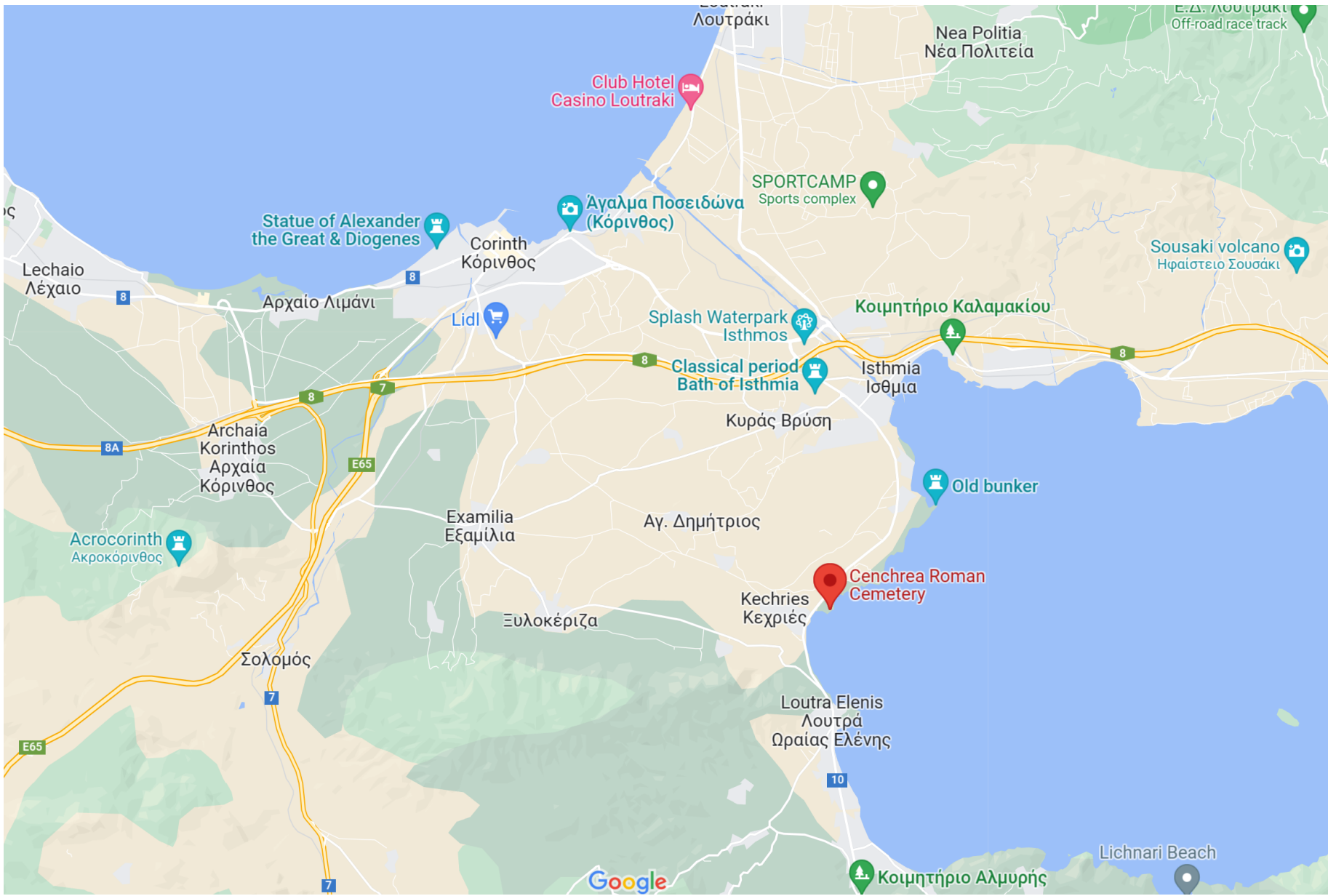
- Vindicate his (Paul's) apostleship

- Warn those still in disobedience.

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Map of Paul's Second Missionary Journey





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5 main problem areas

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3 main leaders – Paul, Apollos, Peter

groupies – attacking other groups

Claims of spiritual superiority over one another

contentions/factions

2. Sex (5 – 7)

3. Food (8 – 10)

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The Church at Corinth – letter 1

5 main problem areas

1. Divisions (1 – 4)

3 main leaders – Paul, Apollos, Peter
groupies – attacking other groups

2. Sex (5 – 7)

promiscuity – prostitution to incest
temple prostitutes
grace covers any sin, freedom to sin

3. Food (8 – 10)

4. The Gathering (11 – 14)

5. The Resurrection (15)

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5 main problem areas

3. Food (8 – 10)

meat sacrificed to Greek and Roman gods

no consideration for others

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4. The Gathering (11 – 14)

chaos in the meetings – not recognising authority

not understanding the purpose of the meeting together

use of gifting distracting others

5. The Resurrection (15)

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- meat sacrificed to Greek and Roman gods

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- chaos in the meetings – not recognising authority

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5. The Resurrection (15)

- failure to understand its significance

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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