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IN THE UK TODAY**



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WE BE GETTING A LETTER

CHRONOLOGICAL READING PLAN

283. □ Mt 5–7
284. □ Mt 8:1–13; Lk 7
285. □ Mt 11
286. □ Mt 12:22–50; Lk 11
287. □ Mt 13; Lk 8
288. □ Mt 8:14–34; Mk 4–5
289. □ Mt 9–10
290. □ Mt 14; Mk 6; Lk 9:1–17
291. □ Jn 6
292. □ Mt 15; Mk 7
293. □ Mt 16; Mk 8; Lk 9:18–27
294. □ Mt 17; Mk 9; Lk 9:28–62
295. □ Mt 18
296. □ Jn 7–8
297. □ Jn 9:1–10:21
298. □ Lk 10–11; Jn 10:22–42
299. □ Lk 12–13
300. □ Lk 14–15
301. □ Lk 16–17:10
302. □ Jn 11
303. □ Lk 17:11–18:14
304. □ Mt 19; Mk 10
305. □ Mt 20–21
306. □ Lk 18:15–19:48
307. □ Mk 11; Jn 12
308. □ Mt 22; Jn 12
309. □ Mt 23; Lk 20–21
310. □ Mk 13
311. □ Mt 24
312. □ Mt 25
313. □ Mt 26; Mk 14
314. □ Lk 22; 10; Jn 13
315. □ Jn 14–17
316. □ Mt 27; Mk 15
317. □ Lk 23; Jn 18–19
318. □ Mt 28; Mk 16
319. □ Lk 24; Jn 20–21
320. □ Acts 1–3
321. □ Acts 4–6
322. □ Acts 7–8
323. □ Acts 9–10
324. □ Acts 11–12
325. □ Acts 13–14
326. □ Jas
327. □ Acts 15–16
328. □ Gal 1–3
329. □ Gal 4–6

330. □ Acts 17–18:18
331. □ 1, 2 Thes
332. □ Acts 18:19–19:41
333. □ 1 Cor 1–4
334. □ 1 Cor 5–8
335. □ 1 Cor 9–11
336. □ 1 Cor 12–14
337. □ 1 Cor 15–16
338. □ 2 Cor 1–4
339. □ 2 Cor 5–9
340. □ 2 Cor 10–13
341. □ Acts 20:1–3; Rom 1–3
342. □ Rom 4–7
343. □ Rom 8–10
344. □ Rom 11–13
345. □ Rom 14–16
346. □ Acts 20:4–23:35
347. □ Acts 24–26
348. □ Acts 27–28
349. □ Col; Phlm
350. □ Eph
351. □ Phil
352. □ 1 Tm
353. □ Ti
354. □ 1 Pt
355. □ Heb 1–6
356. □ Heb 7–10
357. □ Heb 11–13
358. □ 2 Tm
359. □ 2 Pt; Jude
360. □ 1 Jn
361. □ 2, 3 Jn
362. □ Rv 1–5
363. □ Rv 6–11
364. □ Rv 12–18
365. □ Rv 19–22

**SHARE WITH
A FRIEND!**



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1. □ Gn 1–3
2. □ Gn 4–7
3. □ Gn 8–11
4. □ Jb 1–5
5. □ Jb 6–9
6. □ Jb 10–13
7. □ Jb 14–16
8. □ Jb 17–20
9. □ Jb 21–23
10. □ Jb 24–28
11. □ Jb 29–31
12. □ Jb 32–34
13. □ Jb 35–37
14. □ Jb 38–39
15. □ Jb 40–42
16. □ Gn 12–15
17. □ Gn 16–18
18. □ Gn 19–21
19. □ Gn 22–24
20. □ Gn 25–26
21. □ Gn 27–29
22. □ Gn 30–31
23. □ Gn 32–34
24. □ Gn 35–37
25. □ Gn 38–40
26. □ Gn 41–42
27. □ Gn 43–45
28. □ Gn 46–47
29. □ Gn 48–50
30. □ Ex 1–3
31. □ Ex 4–6
32. □ Ex 7–9
33. □ Ex 10–12
34. □ Ex 13–15
35. □ Ex 16–18
36. □ Ex 19–21
37. □ Ex 22–24
38. □ Ex 25–27
39. □ Ex 28–29
40. □ Ex 30–32
41. □ Ex 33–35
42. □ Ex 36–38
43. □ Ex 39–40
44. □ Lv 1–4
45. □ Lv 5–7
46. □ Lv 8–10
47. □ Lv 11–13

48. □ Lv 14–15
49. □ Lv 16–18
50. □ Lv 19–21
51. □ Lv 22–23
52. □ Lv 24–25
53. □ Lv 26–27
54. □ Nm 1–2
55. □ Nm 3–4
56. □ Nm 5–6
57. □ Nm 7
58. □ Nm 8–10
59. □ Nm 11–13
60. □ Nm 14–15; Ps 90
61. □ Nm 16–17
62. □ Nm 18–20
63. □ Nm 21–22
64. □ Nm 23–25
65. □ Nm 26–27
66. □ Nm 28–30
67. □ Nm 31–32
68. □ Nm 33–34
69. □ Nm 35–36
70. □ Dt 1–2
71. □ Dt 3–4
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78. □ Dt 24–27
79. □ Dt 28–29
80. □ Dt 30–31
81. □ Dt 32–34; Ps 91
82. □ Jos 1–4
83. □ Jos 5–8
84. □ Jos 9–11
85. □ Jos 12–15
86. □ Jos 16–18
87. □ Jos 19–21
88. □ Jos 22–24
89. □ Jgs 1–2
90. □ Jgs 3–5
91. □ Jgs 6–7
92. □ Jgs 8–9
93. □ Jgs 10–12
94. □ Jgs 13–15



The Church at Corinth

part 10





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- 1 – Introduction to the Corinthians – 22/01/23
- 2 – Factions in the Church – 19/02/23
- 3 – It's not about the food – 16/03/23
- 4 – Forgotten Fundamentals – 16/04/23
- 5 – Holiness is real – 21/05/23
- 6 – Righteousness must prevail – 9/07/23
- 7 – Not unto Law + – 27/8/23
- 8 – Not created for that – 24/10/23 (pt1)
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- 10 – Eternity Calls – 24/12/23
- 11 - Loving the truth – 21/1/24?



Paul's Second Missionary Journey

AD 51 - 53





The Church at Corinth

The letters pt 9



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 and Laws (5 – 7)

3. Food + inappropriate behaviour (8 – 10)



4. The Gathering (11 – 14)

5. The Resurrection (15)



The Church at Corinth – letter 1 – Eternity calls

Reconciliation comes when the
relationship is more important than
being **right**.

The Church at Corinth – letter 1 - Eternity calls

Righteousness must prevail

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1 Corinthians 7

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The Church at Corinth – letter 1 – Eternity calls

1 Corinthians 7

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1 Corinthians 7

³² But I want you to be without care. He who is unmarried cares for the things of the Lord—how he may please the Lord. ³³ But he who is married cares about the things of the world—how he may please his wife. ³⁴ There is a difference between a wife and a virgin. The unmarried woman cares about the things of the Lord, that she may be holy both in body and in spirit. But she who is married cares about the things of the world—how she may please her husband. ³⁵ And this I say for your own profit, not that I may put a leash on you, but for what is proper, and that you may serve the Lord without distraction.

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1 Corinthians 7

³⁶ But if any man thinks he is behaving improperly toward his virgin, if she is past the flower of youth, and thus it must be, let him do what he wishes. He does not sin; let them marry. ³⁷ Nevertheless he who stands steadfast in his heart, having no necessity, but has power over his own will, and has so determined in his heart that he will keep his virgin, does well. ³⁸ So then he who gives her in marriage does well, but he who does not give her in marriage does better.

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Remember the context:-

Their lifestyle and reputation – particularly in the world.

Paul is responding to what they asked

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Proverbs 3

⁵ Trust in the LORD with all your heart, **And lean not on your own understanding;**

⁶ In all your ways acknowledge Him, And **He shall direct your paths.**

⁷ **Do not be wise** in your own eyes; Fear the LORD and depart from evil.

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Philippians 1

¹² But I want you to know, brethren, that **the things which happened to me have actually turned out for the furtherance of the gospel,**

¹³ so that it has become evident to the whole palace guard, and to all the rest, that **my chains are in Christ;**

¹⁴ and most of the brethren in the Lord, having become confident by my chains, are **much more bold to speak the word without fear.**

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2 Timothy 2

² And the things that you have heard from me among many witnesses, commit these to faithful men who will be able to teach others also. ³ You therefore must endure hardship as a good soldier of Jesus Christ.

⁴ **No one engaged in warfare entangles himself with the affairs of this life**, that he may please him who enlisted him as a soldier.

⁵ And also if anyone competes in athletics, he is not crowned unless he **competes according to the rules.**

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Ignoring the holiness of God = compromise

Ignoring the design = misuse = disease

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Where are we at – focused on Eternity?

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

Are we living by faith and living in the fullness of the Holy Spirit?

Are we living in righteousness or are there areas we have compromised ie sin or giving the wrong ideas to others?

Come to God and put things right with Him first – seek his forgiveness.



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21st January 2024

