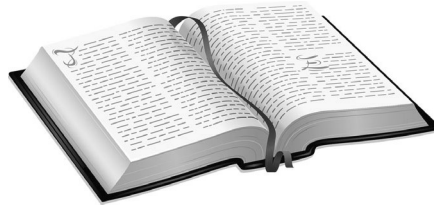


Bible Correspondence Fellowship

Answer Sheet for King James Version (KJV)



1 Corinthians - Lesson 2 of 5

Chapter five is the beginning of a section of 1 Corinthians that deals with several very specific and practical issues.

Please memorize the following verse and be prepared to write it out at the end of this lesson.

*Don't you realize that your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit, who lives in you and was given to you by God? You do not belong to yourself, for God bought you with a high price. So you must honor God with your body.
(1 Corinthians 6:19-20 – NLT).*

Chapter 5

CHURCH DISCIPLINE

Read 1 Corinthians 5:1- 12 _____ Check

1. (v. 5:1) In what form of immoral behavior was someone in the Corinthian church involved? one should have his father's wife.

2. (v. 5:2) What was the Corinthians' response to this sin?
ye are puffed up, and have not rather mourned

What should their response have been?

mourned, that he that hath done this deed might be taken away from among you.

3. (v. 5:3) What was Paul's reaction to this situation?

have I have judged already concerning him that hath so done this deed,

4. (vs. 5:4-5) What does Paul instruct to the believers to do about the sin of the member of the church? deliver such an one unto Satan for the destruction of the flesh,

Note: To deliver one over to Satan means to put him out of the church body, the local assembly, hence into Satan's sphere, for he is the god of this age.

(2 Corinthians 4:4; 1 John 5:19)

5. (v. 5:6) Describe the meaning of the metaphor Paul uses to describe the effects of a sinful behavior being allowed in the church.

Know ye not that a little leaven leaveneth the whole lump?

6. (v. 5:7) What Old Testament event is Christ compared to in this verse?

Passover

Note: The Book of Exodus describes how God sent a plague on the land of Egypt in which the firstborn son of every household would die in one night (Exodus 12:1-30). However, God instructed the Israelites to kill a lamb and place its blood on the doorposts of their homes. When the angel of death passed by that house and saw the blood on the door he would not bring death to that household. That Passover Lamb was symbolic of Jesus Christ. When we have accepted Christ as our savior then God sees the blood of the "Passover Lamb" and spiritual death will not touch us.

7. (vs. 5:9-11) What does Paul command about associating with Christians living immoral lives? I wrote unto you in an epistle not to company with fornicators:

Does this apply to associating with unbelievers as well? no

8. (vs. 5:12-13) What is the difference between how the Christian responds to unbelievers and to believers.

For what have I to do to judge them also that are without?

do not ye judge them that are within? But them that are without God judgeth

. Therefore put away from among yourselves that wicked person.

Chapter 6

LAWSUITS AMONG BELIEVERS

Read 1 Corinthians 6:1-8 _____ Check

1. (v. 6:1) What was apparently happening among the believers in the church in Corinth?
Dare any of you, having a matter against another,
go to law before the unjust, and not before the saints?

Note: In verses 2 and 3 Paul says that the believers will “judge the world” and again that they will “judge angels.” This is the only time in his epistles that Paul refers to either of these responsibilities. However, whatever he means by this, the point is clear that the believers should be able to settle arguments and disputes among themselves.

2. (v. 6:4) What is Paul’s instructions to the believers for handling these disputes?
If then ye have judgments of things pertaining to this life,
set them to judge who are least esteemed in the church.
3. (vs. 6:5-6) How have those with disputes brought shame on the church and the name of Christ? They have gone in front of unbelieving judges to settle their arguments.
4. (v. 6:7) What would be a better course of action than the Corinthians were taking?
Why do ye not rather take wrong? why do ye not rather suffer yourselves
to be defrauded?

Note: This is the first of several references that Paul makes in the book of 1 Corinthians about not insisting on our rights. Paul makes a number of comments in this epistle that a Christian should be willing to forgo things to which they are entitled for the sake of the glory of God and the greater good of the Church, the Body of Christ.

THE WICKED WILL NOT INHERIT THE KINGDOM OF GOD

Read 1 Corinthians 6:9-11 and answer the following questions.

5. (v.6:9) Who will not inherit the kingdom of God? the unrighteous
6. (vs. 6:9-10) List some of the examples Paul gives to describe “the wicked.”
fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor abusers of themselves
with mankind, Nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners,

7. (v. 6:11) Did this describe the character of some of the Corinthians before they came to Christ? Yes x No
8. (v. 6:11) What three works of God are listed which indicate that the Corinthians have been changed?
1. washed 2. sanctified 3. justified
9. How were these things accomplished?
in the name of the Lord Jesus, and by the Spirit of our God.

Note: This passage is not saying that a person that does any of these things will not go to heaven. Some of the Corinthians themselves were guilty of these very same sins. Paul is showing that in Christ, God now sees us as new creations. Positionally we have been made clean and are sanctified and justified in God's sight. This position is not based on anything which we have done but is rather a work of God through the Holy Spirit based on the death of Jesus Christ.

SEXUAL IMMORALITY

Read 1 Corinthians 6:12-20 **Check**

10. (v. 6:13) What were our bodies not created for? Now the body is not for fornication,
What were our bodies created for? but for the Lord; and the Lord for the body.
11. (v. 6:14) What will the power of God that raised the Lord be able to do?
And God hath both raised up the Lord, and will also raise up us by his own power.
12. (v. 6:15) How does Paul describe our bodies? our bodies are the members of Christ?
13. (v. 6:16) How does Paul describe the relationship one has if they have sexual relations with a prostitute? he which is joined to an harlot is one body?

Note: In order to reinforce his point Paul quotes from Genesis 2:24 which says, "The two shall become one flesh." This is given in the context of the union of husband and wife. For God, there is no such thing as casual sexual relations. He designed the sexual union to be restricted to married couples, and He expects Christians to regard it in the same way.

14. (v. 6:17) How does he describe one that is united to the Lord? one spirit.

15. (v. 6:18) What clear command does Paul give in this verse?

Flee fornication.

How do sexual sins differ from other types of sins?

Sexual sins are sins against ones own body

16. (vs. 6:19-20) It was mentioned above that one theme repeated throughout the book of 1 Corinthians is that Christians should be willing to not demand their rights for the sake of God's glory. Explain, using your own words, how these verses provide the basis for such teaching.

know ye not that your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost which is in you,

which ye have of God, and ye are not your own For ye are bought with a price:

therefore glorify God in your body, and in your spirit, which are God's.

Chapter 7

MARRIAGE AND DIVORCE

Read 1 Corinthians 7:1-39 _____ Check

General advice on marriage (vss. 1-7)

1. (v.7:1) How did Paul find out about the concerns the Corinthians had over these issues?

Now concerning the things whereof ye wrote unto me

2. (v.7:1) What is Paul's main advice for a man? not to touch a woman.

3. (v.7:2) Because of immorality, what does Paul instruct them to do?

let every man have his own wife, and let every woman have her own husband.

4. (vs.7:3-5) What are the responsibilities that husbands and wives have to each other, and why?

Answer will vary

5. (v.7:6) Are the instructions to not marry in verses 1 and 7 meant to be a command from God or advice from Paul? But I speak this by permission, and not of commandment.
6. (v.7:7) How does Paul describe his ability to be content although not married? a gift

Advice to unmarried and widowed people (vs. 7:8-9)

7. (v. 7:8) What is Paul's advice to this group of people? abide even as I.
8. (v. 7:9) When does he suggest that single people marry?
But if they cannot contain, let them marry: for it is better to marry than to burn.

Advice to the married (vs. 7:10-11)

9. (v. 7:10) Is this advice being given as Paul's recommendation or as a commandment from the Lord? yet not I, but the Lord,
10. (vss. 7:10-11) What is Paul's general advice concerning someone leaving or divorcing their spouse? _____
Let not the wife depart from her husband: let not the husband put away his wife.
11. (v. 7:11) If someone does leave their spouse how should they live?
If she depart, let her remain unmarried or be reconciled to her husband:

Advice for those in other circumstances (vs. 7:12-16)

12. (vs. 7:12) Is the following advice from the Lord or Paul's recommendation?
I, not the Lord:
13. (vss. 7:12-13) Should a believing spouse leave their partner because he or she is an unbeliever? no
14. (vs. 7:13) What should the believing spouse do if his or her partner is willing to remain married? if he(he) be pleased to dwell with her(him) , let her not leave him.(her)

15. (vs.14) How does the believer's presence in the marriage effect the relationship?
For the unbelieving husband is sanctified by the wife,
and the unbelieving wife is sanctified by the husband:
16. (v. 7:15) What should the believer do if the unbeliever chooses to leave?
if the unbelieving depart, let him depart.
17. (v. 7:15) How has God called us to live? God hath called us to peace.
18. (v. 7:16) What reason does Paul give for the believing partner to remain with the
unbeliever? It is possible that the believer may be able to lead the unbeliever to salvation

General rules for people in various circumstances (vs. 7:17-24)

19. (v. 7:17) What is the general rule which Paul lays down for the churches?
But as God hath distributed to every man, as the Lord hath called every one
so let him walk
20. (vs. 7:21-22) Were slaves to actively seek their freedom? no
Were they to accept freedom if it was offered to them? yes
21. (v. 7:22) How were they to view themselves in Christ?
as Christ's servant.
22. (v. 7:23) On what basis should believers not become enslaved to men in their minds?
Ye are bought with a price; be not ye the servants of men.

Note: Slavery was an accepted social institution in the Roman Empire. Although Paul recognized that slaves would desire freedom, he never encouraged them to run away from their owners. In other passages Paul gives instructions both to slaves and masters (Ephesians 6:5-9; Colossians 3:22-25). Paul does not endorse the institution of slavery, but he gives guidelines as to how Christians should live regardless of their circumstances in life.

Advice to unmarried women (vs. 7:25-31)

23. (v. 7:25) Is the advice Paul give in these verses directly from the Lord or his own opinion? I have no commandment of the Lord: yet I give my judgment,

24. (v. 7:26) How does Paul describe the current situation in Corinth? present distress

Note: No one knows for certain what “distress” Paul was referring to. Some have suggested that the believers were experiencing persecution. Others believe Paul is referring to his conviction that the Lord was going to return in his own lifetime. Whatever he was referring to it explains the tentative nature of many of the commands in this chapter.

25. (v. 7:26-27) What is the advice Paul gives to the unmarried?
Ar bound unto a wife? seek not to be loosed. Art thou loosed from a wife? seek not a wife.

26. (v. 7:28) What does Paul say to someone that does marry?
They have not sinned but they will have trouble in this life

27. (vss. 7:29-31) How does Paul describe the way the Corinthian believers should live?
They should live as if their life were short and the present world would end in the very near future. (Answer will vary)

Reasons for remaining single (vss. 7:32-37)

28. (vss. 7:32–35) Describe in your own words the benefit there is for a man or woman to remain unmarried.

29. (vs. 7:36) What is Paul’s advise to a man that is engaged to a woman that is getting older and he would like to marry her? , let him do what he will, let them marry.

30. (vs. 7:37) Is it wrong for someone that chooses not to marry his fiancé. no

31. (vs.7:39) How long is a woman bound to be married to her husband?

The wife is bound by the law as long as her husband liveth;

32. (vs. 7:39) Under what condition may she remarry and whom may she marry?

she is at liberty to be married to whom she will; only in the Lord.

Note: This verse is very important because it is a direct application of the principle that believers should only marry other believers. The most commonly used verse to defend this principle is 2 Corinthians 6:14 which instructs Christians to not be “unequally yoked” with unbelievers.

Chapter 8

FOOD SACRIFICED TO IDOLS

Read 1 Corinthians 8:1-13 _____ **Check**

Note: Corinth was a city dominated by paganism. There were dozens of temples to the various Greek gods and food was offered as sacrifices to these gods. It was a common practice if the leftover meat from the sacrifice was not eaten either by the priest or the offerer to sell the meat in the public market. It was impossible to know if the meat one bought was ordinary or if it had been part of a pagan sacrifice. This created a moral dilemma for two groups of Christians. Those that converted from Judaism would have found that eating such food to be detestable. Some of the Gentile believers might associate the meat with the pagan sacrifice in their minds and feel they are somehow defiling themselves by eating it.

This portion of scripture, while directly referring to the question of food sacrificed to idols, also relates principles that can be applied to many other practices which, though not directly forbidden in Scripture, some Christians might disapprove of while others may not be bothered. Read 1 Corinthians 10:23-11:1 and Romans 14 to learn more of what Paul says about these “gray areas” of the Christian life.

1. (vs. 8:1-3) Paul says, “knowledge puffs up, but love “builds up”.

Describe in your own words the point that Paul is making in verses 1-3 about the difference between knowledge and love.

if any man think that he knoweth any thing,

he knoweth nothing yet as he ought to know.

But if any man love God, the same is known of him.

2. (vs. 8:4) How are Christians to regard idols?

we know that an idol is nothing in the world, and that there is none other God but one.

3. (vss. 8:5-6) How does Paul describe God the Father and the Lord Jesus Christ?

But to us there is but one God, the Father, of whom are all things, and we in him;

and one Lord Jesus Christ, by whom are all things, and we by him.

4. (vs. 8:7) How does Paul describe the feelings of some Christians that eat meat they are afraid has been offered to idols?

some with conscience of the idol unto this hour eat it as a thing offered unto an idol;

and their conscience being weak is defiled.

5. (vs. 8:8) Does eating or not eating certain kinds of food change our relationship with God? no

6. (vss. 8:9-11) How could the eating of meat have a negative effect on a fellow believer?

For if any man see thee which hast knowledge sit at meat in the idol's temple,

shall not the conscience of him which is weak be emboldened to eat those things which are offered to idols; And through thy knowledge shall the weak brother perish,

for whom Christ died?

7. (vs. 8:12) Against whom do we sin when we do things that violate the conscience of other Christians?
ye sin against Christ.

8. (vs. 13) How does verse 13 reinforce the recurring theme of 1 Corinthians that Christians should be willing to give up their rights?
if meat make my brother to offend, I will eat no flesh while the world standeth,
lest I make my brother to offend.

Write 1 Corinthians 6:19-20 from memory on the lines below.

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