



## Unrighteous Behavior

*By Ken Terry on April 7, 2021*

**TODAY'S READING:** 1 Corinthians 6

The apostle Paul begins the chapter speaking to the unrighteous behavior in suing a brother in Christ. This is a daring act of disobedience because of its implications related to all sin - the displeasure of God. This is unrighteous behavior because it elevates the needs and desires of the one, rather than perpetuating the Kingdom of God. This speaks to the unsaved spiritual condition of the individual. Paul states that as saints, we will judge the world and angels, as we rule beside Christ. Therefore, how can anything of this world be too much for the men of God, talented and gifted, to judge? Christians are to settle all issues between themselves within the Church.

My friends this may be hard to receive, but it goes back to the spiritual condition of the individual. Paul speaks specifically to the sins that blind people and alienate them from God, "Do not be deceived, neither fornicators, nor adulterers, nor effeminate, nor homosexuals, nor thieves, nor the covetous, nor the drunkards, nor revilers, nor swindlers will inherit the Kingdom of God." This is very timely for us because we can see these varied sins prevalent in the world around us today. However, as Christ followers we must remain separated from them. We are to be set apart for His good works. How is this accomplished?

I love the word imagery Paul gives of believers being one with Christ. He asked a very timely question, "Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ?" Everything we do and say will add or take away from His Spirit within us. My friends, please understand we belong to the Lord. We are all members of His body, the Church. Therefore, we must surrender and submit to His leadership in our lives. Please know and understand that as Christ followers, "your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit who is in you, whom you have from God, and that you are not your own." It is due to this knowledge that we must strive harder towards our upward call in Christ Jesus. Paul closes out the chapter stating, "for you have been bought with a price, therefore glorify God in your body."

My friends we must do our absolute best to magnify the name of Jesus through our body and spirit, as we glorify the Father in this cruel and dark world.

Have a wonderful day as you walk with the Lord Jesus Christ.

**TOMORROW'S READING: 1 Corinthians 7**

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