

# Paul Sets the Stage

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**Series:** Gospel Unity: The Answer to Confusion

**Scripture:** 1 Corinthians 1:1-9

Introduction:

a. The **City of Corinth**

b. Paul's **Connection**

c. The **Occasion** for his writing

1. Paul **Defends** his **Apostleship** [1 Cor. 1:1](#)

2. **Reminds** them of church **Ownership** [1 Cor. 1:2a](#)

3. Paul's letter is **Normative** for **Christians** [1 Cor. 1:2b](#)

4. Paul is thankful for the **Grace** of God which acts to **Sustain** and **Sanctify** believers [1 Cor. 1:3-9](#)