

Welcome to Equip K-Groups!

Overcomers Class

Who is it that overcomes the world except the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God?

(1 John 5:5)

Welcome and Agenda

- **Announcements**
- **Prayer**
- **Class Content Schedule – Where are we?**
- **1 Corinthians: The Foolishness of the Kingdom – Part 2**

Announcements & Prayer

Third Semester Schedule – Q3 2019



<u>Handout</u>	<u>Week</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Text</u>
✓	1	7-Jul	Acts
	2	14-Jul	Acts
	3	21-Jul	Acts
✓	4	28-Jul	Intro to Paul
✓	5	4-Aug	Romans
	6	11-Aug	Romans
	7	18-Aug	Romans
✓	8	25-Aug	Special
	9	1-Sep	1 Corinthians
	10	8-Sep	1 Corinthians
✓	11	15-Sep	2 Corinthians (<i>Steve Todd</i>)
	12	22-Sep	2 Corinthians (<i>Steve Todd</i>)
	13	29-Sep	2 Corinthians (<i>Steve Todd</i>)

Fourth Semester Schedule – Q4 2019



<u>Week</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Text</u>
1	6-Oct	Special (<i>Eric Ortscheid</i>)
2	13-Oct	“Thinking Through Our Faith” (<i>B. Scheidhauer</i>)
3	20-Oct	“Thinking Through Our Faith” (<i>B. Scheidhauer</i>)
4	27-Oct	“Thinking Through Our Faith” (<i>B. Scheidhauer</i>)
5	3-Nov	“Thinking Through Our Faith” (<i>B. Scheidhauer</i>)
6	10-Nov	“Thinking Through Our Faith” (<i>B. Scheidhauer</i>)
7	17-Nov	“Thinking Through Our Faith” (<i>B. Scheidhauer</i>)
8	24-Nov	OT Theology (<i>Mark Drinkard</i>)
9	1-Dec	OT Theology (<i>Mark Drinkard</i>)
10	8-Dec	OT Theology (<i>Mark Drinkard</i>)
11	15-Dec	OT Theology (<i>Mark Drinkard</i>)
12	22-Dec	OT Theology (<i>Mark Drinkard</i>)
13	29-Dec	OT Theology (<i>Mark Drinkard</i>)

Equip Schedule 2020

- **Q1 – NT Overview Continued** (*Bruce Scheidhauer*)
- **Q2 – Church History: AD 500 thru Reformation** (*Andy Steele*)
- **Q3 – NT Overview Conclusion** (*Bruce Scheidhauer*)
- **Q4 - TBD**

1 Corinthians

The Foolishness of the Kingdom

Equip “Overcomers” K-Group

Q3 2019

Class 10

The Heartbeat of 1st Corinthians

This epistle allows us to see Paul not as an ivory-tower theologian but as an intensely concerned pastor striving for the holiness and maturity of his flock. He clearly articulates Christian doctrinal responses to pagan perversions and corruptions of the truth. Churches today can profit from the insight, wisdom, devotion, and challenge of Paul's words.

Curtis Vaughan & Tomas D. Lea, *1 Corinthians*, Founders Press 2002, p. 15

“Occasional” Letters to Corinthian Church



- “The Lost Epistle” – 1 Cor. 5:9

- Addressed disassociating from (“purging”) the flagrantly immoral people in the church
- Sexually Immoral, Greedy, Idolaters, Revilers, Drunkards, Swindlers

[Corinthians Letter to Paul (7:1)]

- **1 Corinthians**

- 2nd Letter to the Corinthians . . . Responding to Corinthians Questions and Conduct
- Primarily addresses concerns about behavior in the church... divisions, godly living, church order
- Also provides some important doctrinal teaching... e.g, the Resurrection

- “The Severe Letter” – 2 Cor. 2:3-4; 7:8-16

- Concerned for their repentance and encouraging godly sorrow

- **2 Corinthians**

- Personal and emotional... Defense of Paul’s ministry

Epistle Background

Author	Paul
Date	AD 53-55 (During 3 rd Missionary Journey)
Where Written	Ephesus (Acts 16:5-9)
Audience	Church in Corinth (Jews and Gentiles)
Theme	Unity, Purity, and Order in the Church
Key Verse	1 Corinthians 3:16-17

Do you not know that you are God's temple and that God's Spirit dwells in you? If anyone destroys God's temple, God will destroy him. For God's temple is holy, and you are that temple. (1 Corinthians 3:16–17)

1 Corinthians – Outline



Section	Context	Notable
Ch. 1:1-9	Introduction	
Chs. 1:10-6:20	Sin in the Body of Christ	Divisions (1:10-4:21) Decadence/Discipline (5) Lawsuits (6:1-8) Impurity (6:9-20)
Chs. 7:1-15	Answers to Questions	Celibacy, Marriage, & Divorce (7) Rights & Responsibilities (8:1-11:1) Public Worship (11:2-14:40) <ul style="list-style-type: none">- <i>Role of Women</i> (11:2-16)- <i>Lord's Supper</i> (11:17-34)- <i>Spiritual Gifts</i> (12-14) Resurrection (15)
Ch. 16	Conclusion	

Introduction

1 Corinthians 1:1-9

- **Salutation (vv.1-3)**

- Paul is... Called by God's will, an Apostle of Christ Jesus, and brother in Christ of Sosthenes
- Corinthian Church is... Called, Sanctified, under the Lordship of Christ Jesus

- **Thanksgiving (vv.4-9)**

- For God's Grace
- For God's Gifts
- For God's Sustaining Power

Sin in the Body of Christ

1 Corinthians 1:10-6:20



- **Exhibit #1: Division (1:10-4:21)**

- Beware Partisanship (1:10-17; 3:1-23)
- Remember God's Power... and Wisdom (1:18-31)
- Remember what Paul has Proclaimed... and the Spirit empowered (2:1-16)
- Remember the example of your Spiritual "*Parent*" (4:1-21)
 - Trustworthy and Humble (4:1-5; 4:8-13)
- Beware Pride
 - 1:29; 1:31; 3:7; 3:21; 4:6; 4:7; 4:18
 - **"God hates human pride. And this is the root of the problem in the church at Corinth."** (John Piper, "Let Him Who Boasts Boast in the Lord!" Sermon January 31, 1988, <https://www.desiringgod.org/messages/let-him-who-boasts-boast-in-the-lord>)

Sin in the Body of Christ

1 Corinthians 1:10-6:20



- **Exhibit #2: Decadence (Chap. 5)**

- Active Case of Incest (5:1)
- Arrogance and Boasting (5:2; 5:6)
- Remember who is present in our assemblies... Christ (5:4)
- Remember who was sacrificed for our sins... Christ (5:7b-8)
- Beware a “little leaven” (5:6-8)
- Remedy: Discipline
 - Removal (5:2, 5, 13)
 - Disassociation (5:9,11)
 - Caveat – We are *not* to judge those *outside* the church; We *are* to judge those *inside* the church (5:12-13)
 - Goal – **Restoration!** (5:5)

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1 Corinthians 1:10-6:20



- **Exhibit #3: Lawsuits** (Chap. 6:1-8)

- Writing to believers in the church concerning disagreements among believers
- Why go to a secular “*unrighteous*” court to settle grievances? (6:1)
- Secular courts have “*no standing in the church*” (6:4)
- Is “*no one among you wise enough to settle a dispute among brothers*”? (6:5)
- We are already “*defeated*” if we resort to a secular court (6:7)
- We would be better to suffer a “*wrong*” than to go to the secular court (6:7)

Sin in the Body of Christ

1 Corinthians 1:10-6:20



• **Exhibit #4: Impurity** (Chap. 6:9-20)

- Unrighteousness should be a thing of the past for a Christian (6:11)
 - Washed, Sanctified, Justified... in the name of Christ and by the Spirit of God
- If unrighteousness still marks your life, **beware!** (6:9-10)
 - Sexually Immoral, Idolaters, Adulterers, Homosexuals, Thieves, Greedy, Drunkards, Revilers, Swindlers
- “*All things are lawful for me*”... Perhaps a Corinthian slogan (6:12)
- “**But**”... “Not all things are helpful” and “I will not be enslaved by anything” (6:12)
- “*The body is not meant for sexual immorality, but for the Lord*” (6:13)
- Our bodies “*are members of Christ*” (6:15)
- Our bodies are temples of the Holy Spirit (6:19)
- We were “*bought with a price*” (6:19)
- Sexual immorality with our bodies dishonors Christ’s body and God (6:15-16)
- “**Flee from sexual immorality**” and “**[G]lorify God in your body**” (6:20)

Answers to Questions

1 Corinthians 7:1-15:58

- Questions about Celibacy, Marriage, and Divorce (Chap. 7)
- **Passions, Peace, Priority, Parousia**
 - *“Let each person lead the life that the Lord has assigned to him, and to which God has called him” (7:17)*
 - *“I want you to be free of anxieties” (7:32)*
 - *“I say this for your own benefit, not to lay any restraint upon you, but to **promote good order** and to secure your undivided devotion to the Lord” (7:35 emphasis added)*
 - *“[T]he appointed time has grown very short”... “For the present form of the world is passing away” (7:29, 31)*

Answers to Questions

1 Corinthians 7:1-15:58

- Questions about Rights and Responsibilities (Chaps. 8:1-11:1)
- The Key: “[W]hatever you do, do it all for the glory of God” (10:31)
- Our Rights do not override our Responsibilities (Chap. 8)
- Our Good does not override the Good of others (Chap. 9)
- Idols are not a good substitute for Christ (Chap. 10)

Answers to Questions

1 Corinthians 7:1-15:58

- Questions about Public Worship (Chaps. 11:2-14:40)
- The Key: What is Proper in God's House is what promotes Peace and Propriety
- **Role of Women (11:2-16)**
 - Head Coverings and Headship
 - "If anyone is inclined to be contentious, we have no such practice, nor do the churches of God" (11:16)
- **Lord's Supper (11:17-34)**
 - Abusing the Lord's Supper vs. Honoring Christ and His Body, the Church
 - Do this "in remembrance of me" (11:24, 25)

Answers to Questions

1 Corinthians 7:1-15:58

- Questions about Public Worship (Chaps. 11:2-14:40)... **CONTINUED**
- The Key: What is Proper in God's House is what promotes Peace and Propriety
- **Spiritual Gifts** (Chaps. 12-14)
 - Variety of Spiritual Gifts but **One Spirit** (12:4)
 - Many Members of the Body but **One Body** (12:12)
 - **Love is the Foundation** upon which all Spiritual Gifts are to be exercised (Chap. 13)
 - **Priority of Prophecy** over Tongues (14:1-25)
 - The necessity of **Orderly Worship** (14:26-40)

Answers to Questions

1 Corinthians 7:1-15:58

- [Questions about Resurrection](#) (Chap. 15)
- [The Key](#): Our faith and future stands or falls on the truth of the Resurrection
- [Reminder of the Gospel](#) (15:1-8)
- [Necessity of Christ's Resurrection](#) (15:12-19)
- [Hope for our Resurrection](#) (15:20-23)
- [Our Glorious Resurrection Body](#) (15:35-49)
- [Victory over Sin and Death "through our Lord Jesus Christ"](#) (15:50-57)

Therefore, my beloved brothers, be steadfast, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labor is not in vain. (1 Corinthians 15:58)

Conclusions

1 Corinthians 16

- **Instructions for Giving**
- **Planning for Travel to Corinth**
- **Greetings**

Be watchful, stand firm in the faith, act like men, be strong. Let all that you do be done in love.

(1 Corinthians 16:13, 14)