

# 1 Corinthians 5

## Disunity Caused by Sin

### Points to Consider

1. The Goal.
2. The Problem.
3. The Solution

### The Goal

**1 Cor 5:5** - Our collective goal is that \_\_\_\_\_ of us go to heaven.

**Matt 9:12-13** *When Jesus heard that, He said to them, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. 13 But go and learn what this means: 'I desire mercy and not sacrifice.' For I did not come to call the righteous, but sinners, to **repentance**."* NKJV

\_\_\_\_\_ came to this earth to call sinners to repentance.

**1 Tim 2:3-7** *For this is good and acceptable in the sight of God our Savior, 4 who desires all men to be saved and to come to the knowledge of the truth. 5 For there is one God and one Mediator between God and men, the Man Christ Jesus, 6 who gave Himself a ransom for all, to be testified in due time, 7 for which I was appointed a preacher and an apostle — I am speaking the truth in Christ and not lying — a teacher of the Gentiles in faith and truth.* NKJV

\_\_\_\_\_ desire is for all men to be saved through Christ Jesus.

**2 Peter 3:8-9** *But, beloved, do not forget this one thing, that with the Lord one day is as a thousand years, and a thousand years as one day. 9 The Lord is not slack concerning His promise, as some count slackness, but is longsuffering toward us, not willing that any should perish but that all should come to repentance.* NKJV

God wants all people to come to \_\_\_\_\_. God's desire was for the man in Corinth to repent of His sin.

### The Problem

**1 Cor 5:1** - The first problem was that a man was \_\_\_\_\_ in sin... A sin so bad that even the Gentiles wouldn't commit that sin.

**1 Cor 6:9-10** - In elaborates on sins that divide by listing several sins that would be classified as sexual immorality, as well as thieves, drunkards, and extortioners. The broad term he uses is \_\_\_\_\_.

**1 Cor 5:6** - The second problem Paul had was that this one man's sin had the potential to affect the \_\_\_\_\_ church. Sin has a negative impact on others.

**Gal 2:11-13** *Now when Peter had come to Antioch, I withstood him to his face, because he was to be blamed; 12 for before certain men came from James, he would eat with the Gentiles; but when they came, he withdrew and separated himself, fearing those who were of the circumcision. 13 And the rest of the Jews also played the hypocrite with him, so that even Barnabas was carried away with their hypocrisy.* NKJV

Paul understood that the leavening influence of sin was so strong that he \_\_\_\_\_ Peter to the face.

**2 Cor 12:19-21** - If sin is tolerated, others may develop a hard heart and \_\_\_\_\_ in their sin. Even though this man probably repented, the negative influence of his sin continued.

**1 Cor 5:2** - The third problem was that the saints at Corinth had the wrong attitude concerning the sin and the sinner.

They were \_\_\_\_\_ up instead of mournful concerning this man and his sin.

They \_\_\_\_\_ in the man's sin. The different factions may have been glorying for different reason. Some may have gloried in the man and overlooked his sin. Others may have been puffed up that no one in their faction committed such a disgraceful act.

**1 Cor 5:3** - The fourth problem was \_\_\_\_\_.

## The Solutions

If you are living in sin, \_\_\_\_\_, and show signs of repentance.

**1 Cor 5:4-5** - We need to \_\_\_\_\_ saints among us who are living in sin over to Satan for the destruction of the flesh so their souls can be saved.

They were to do this by the authority of \_\_\_\_\_ Christ.

This was to be done when the people were gathered \_\_\_\_\_. This was an act of unity!

What does it mean to deliver someone to Satan?

1. This could have been part of the spiritual gifts given. They might have had the power to cause physical suffering to someone who did not obey God.
  - a. Gehazi was struck with leprosy due to his \_\_\_\_\_. (1 Kings 5)
  - b. God struck Jehoram with an intestinal disease because he killed his brothers and didn't serve God. (2 Chron 21)
  - c. God punished \_\_\_\_\_ Uzziah by giving him leprosy because "his heart was lifted up." (2 Chron 26:19-20)
  - d. To get Paul's attention God struck him blind for 3 days. (Acts 9:7-9)
  - e. Paul struck Elymas \_\_\_\_\_ for trying to persuade Sergius Paulus to not listen to the gospel (Acts 13:4-12)
2. Included in delivering one to Satan is \_\_\_\_\_ from the one living a sinful life. This is a way a church reaches unity through eliminating the leavening agent of sin.

**1 Cor 5:6-8** - Paul knew that purging the sin would \_\_\_\_\_ the church.

**1 Cor 5:9-13** - We are not to keep company with \_\_\_\_\_ who are living in sin.

God's standard has \_\_\_\_\_ been to "put away from yourselves the evil person" that is among His people. (Deut 13:5; 17:7,12; 19:19; 21:21; 22:21-24, 24:7)

**2 Thess 3:6, 13-15** *But we command you, brethren, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that you withdraw from every brother who walks disorderly and not according to the tradition which he received from us... 13 But as for you, brethren, do not grow weary in doing good. 14 And if anyone does not obey our word in this epistle, note that person and do not keep company with him, that he may be ashamed. 15 Yet do not count him as an enemy, but admonish him as a brother.* NKJV

We are to withdraw ourselves from \_\_\_\_\_ brother who \_\_\_\_\_ disorderly.

We are to mark and refuse to keep company with Christians who are \_\_\_\_\_ to God.

## Remember:

Sin separates us from God.

Sin separates us from each other.

When sin is present we need to deal with it in a Godly way and not ignore it.