

1 Corinthians 14 – 5:6-13

Purging the Leaven

1. 5:6-8 – Purging Out the Leaven

- a. “know ye not” – said to those who should know better: 9x/12 to the Corinthians
- b. The cross is the cure for glorying in the flesh: Rom 6:7,18,22-23, Gal 5:1, 6:13-14
- c. “a little leaven” - refers to Israel’s required feasts and holy days: Col 2:16
- d. They purged out the leaven from all their houses for seven days – Exo 12:15
- e. Leaven = impurity of doctrine leads to bad behavior. Mat 16:6, 12; 1 Cor 15:33
- f. “purge out” - kick the guy out for his corrupting doctrine: Eph 5:6-9
- g. They are already unleavened, they must be that new lump - 1Cor 6:11, 2Cor 5:16
- h. Christ our passover = We don’t have (nor need) the meal, we have Christ Col 2:17
- i. *Pascha* only appears 3x after the resurrection: Acts 12:4, 1Cor 5:8, Heb 11:28
- j. “Sincerity and truth” = faithfulness to the doctrine

2. 5:9-11 – Not to Company

- a. “yet not altogether” – this is God’s word discerning your heart.
- b. Company *military def* – soldiers united under the command of a captain
- c. Two cannot walk together except they be agreed - Amos 3:3, 2 Cor 6:14
- d. “be called a brother” This is in the church, united and serving the Lord together
- e. “not to eat” – The eating of the church together in unity - 10:16, 19-23
- f. Matthew 18:15 and James 5:16 is not our pattern. 2 Thess 3:14-15, Titus 3:10 is.
- g. This is not a hex, it is marking and avoiding the unfaithful: Rom 16:17, 1 Tim 6:5
- h. The ground of truth cannot be maintained if the truth is lost.

3. 5:12-13 – Don’t Ye Judge?

- a. “them that are without” – without Christ, outside the church Col 4:5
- b. Paul doesn’t have to judge them that are without, God does.
- c. It is a wrong thing to blur the line between the church and the world.
- d. Participation condones, be not partakers with them – Eph 5:6-7, Gal 6:7-8
- e. The doctrine of separation is not well received in a “God is love” society.

4. 6:1-3 – Judging Things in This Life

- a. The saints of God should be judging these matters.
- b. We have access to the hidden deep manifold wisdom of God – Eph 3:9-11
- c. God’s truth enables us to abound in judgment – Phil 1:9-11
- d. They ought to be qualified to judge “all things” – 1 Cor 2:15, 3:22