

Division in the Body
1 Corinthians 6:12-20

Some people have taken these verses out of context and teach things that Paul never intended. In context, Paul has been talking about _____, and kept in that context these verses are quite understandable. It seems obvious by the length of teaching Paul is giving concerning a Godly and ungodly sexual lifestyle that Paul is making a much needed point about Christian liberty and sexual _____. It was because of a misunderstanding, or a lack of acting on clear Biblical teaching, that division had entered the Church at Corinth, and Paul is writing to correct this misunderstanding or misapplication.

- I. Christian liberty Vs Christian _____
 - A. We have been given liberty in Christ. Vs 12a
 - B. We must determine, by the Holy Spirit's leading, how to _____ that liberty. Vs 12b
 - C. We must be sure that "all things" does not _____ the control of the Holy Spirit in our lives. Vs 12c
- II. There are certain things that God intends to go _____ Vs 13a
 - A. The stomach and food naturally go together because God created it so to be.
 - B. There will come a time when our stomach and food will not have any _____ value.
- III. There are certain things that God did _____ intend to go together Vs 13b-14
 - A. The human body and _____ relationships outside of marriage
 - B. God's intended relationship is the human body under the _____ of Christ and used for the cause of Christ.
 - C. There will never be a time when our human body will lose its _____ value. Vs 14
 - 1. In the same way the Father raised the Son from _____
 - 2. So the Father will raise our _____ body from the dead
- IV. As _____ believers we are to understand that we belong to Christ and with that ownership comes certain responsibilities and _____. Vs 15-18
 - A. *Know ye not* (Vs 15, 16, 19)-Are you not _____?
 - 1. Something you _____ be knowledgeable of
 - 2. And to your own _____, you are not knowledgeable
 - B. *Your bodies are the members of Christ*-your body is actually _____ of Christ and as such He is the One in charge of how the body is to be used. Vs 15a
 - 1. Therefore it does not make sense to take Christ's body and join it with a _____! Vs 15b
 - 2. *God forbid*-May God never allow it to be so! May it never _____! Vs 15c
 - C. The reasoning for such a bold statement as found in Vs 15 Vs 16
 - 1. *What? Know ye not*-WHAT!! Do you not _____, are you not aware?
 - 2. God has stated that the joining of man and woman sexually makes them one in the _____ of the Lord Cf. Genesis 2:24; Ephesians 5:31
 - 3. As believers we have been joined unto _____ and are one Vs 17 Cf. Vs 15a

- D. Since being joined to Christ through the New Birth we are not at liberty to be sexually active _____ the bond of marriage. Vs 18
1. We are not even to be _____ or participate in sexual immorality Vs 18a
 2. The sin of sexual immorality is more than just a sin against _____ body, it is a sin with our body and therefore is absolutely _____ with the behavior that Christ would have us use His body for Vs 18b
- E. We, as believers, are the _____ dwelling place of the Holy Spirit on the earth. Vs 19
1. *What? know ye not- WHAT!!* Do you not understand, are you not _____?
 2. *Your body is the temple of the Holy Ghost which is in you, which ye have of God, and ye are not your own*
 - a. Our human body is the sanctuary, _____, dwelling place of God, the Holy Spirit
 - b. God lives inside the human body of a _____
 3. *Which ye have of God*-this is a _____ act of God
 4. *And ye are not your own*-Because of this supernatural act of God and the reality of it, we no longer belong to ourselves-we _____ this ownership when we asked God to be our Savior and Lord.
- F. Our liberty goes only as far as our _____ will allow Vs 20
1. *For ye are bought with a price*-We are the purchased possession of _____
 2. *Therefore glorify God in your body, and in your spirit*-We have an obligation to _____ God, the Holy Spirit to control our life and thereby bring glory to God through _____ to Him and His Word.
 3. *Which are God's*-The _____

My liberty is determined and _____ by God Who owns me as His Child. That is true for all believers whether they are willing to live that way or not.