

1 Corinthians 6:1-8 (10/18/26)

Announcements: ****Feel free to change the wording to make it your voice****

1. **Set Your Mind | Fall Women's Gathering:** On Saturday Nov 7th at 10:00am - 2:00p
 - a. Join us for the Fall Women's Gathering where we will spend time exploring what it looks like to set our minds on Christ and let the gospel shape the way we think, live, and love. This is a great opportunity to pull away from normal routine and enjoy fellowship with one another! **Register here!**
2. **New Member Class:** On Nov, from 6:00-8:00p. We see membership as committing to a family of believers. If you took Intro to Mercy Hill and are interested in taking the next step toward membership at Mercy Hill. Come to dinner and let's talk about why membership is important! Pick up the book at the Next Steps table and come to class with it read. [Signup](#).

Pray - Take 5 minutes to pray together or in small groups over these requests

- Unreached People Group: [Today](#) (**Sylheti Muslim** - Bangladesh and NE India. Primarily muslim. 0% of the population is Christian, currently 0% reached)
- Eva - Continued favor with language learning and research of the people around her as well as boldness as she shares the gospel in North Africa!
- [Salt Global](#) - Pray for students to say yes to going to North Africa for the summer to share the gospel!
- Understanding as we open the Word

Discussion Questions: Observation and Interpretation

For the leaders: Main Idea of 1 Corinthians 6:1-8

- Review the context

Read 1 Corinthians 6:1-8 in 1-2 different translations

1. What questions do you have?
2. What specific problem is Paul addressing among the believers in Corinth?
3. What underlying heart issues do lawsuits among believers reveal?
 - a. For the leaders: manipulation, pride, greed, or the demand for personal status
4. The Corinthians were guilty of manipulating fellow believers for personal advantage (honor, economic gain, social standing, etc.). They had an attitude of grasping rather than giving, protecting rather than sacrificing. How do we see some of these same maneuvers today?
5. According to v. 2, what future role does Paul remind the Corinthian believers they will play? Cf Matt 19:28, 2 Tim 2:11-12a, Rev 20:4a.
6. How does Paul use this to show the absurdity of going to secular courts? (vv. 2-4)
7. What are the negative impacts of believers litigating an issue against another believer in court?
8. How should the gospel impact the way we treat others?
9. What did Paul instruct the believers in the church to do with disputes between each other according to v.5? Is this practical or reasonable?
10. What should you do if an elder is able to judge the situation, but the other person is unwilling to listen to the elder? (v.7)
11. **Group Application:** What impact do you think it would make on our culture if law courts were used as a last resort instead of a first response?

Application Questions:

1. Where is it hardest for you to practice "deference and sacrifice" instead of demanding what you feel you deserve?
2. Where is it hardest for you to practice "deference and sacrifice" instead of demanding what you feel you deserve?

3. If we know that true satisfaction is found in God, we should want others to experience the joy and peace that only He can bring! Who are the 3-5 people you are praying would receive the gospel?

Prayer Opportunity

- Consider splitting into small groups
 - Pray over each other to grow in maturity, to be bold in speaking the truth in love, to allow the gospel to invade every aspect of their lives and to not be divisive, but instead be a part of the team effort.
 - Pray for the names of lost friends, opportunities to share and the ability to communicate the gospel clearly.