

1 Corinthians 6:1-20 **Judging in the Church – Sexual immorality**

Saints will judge the world and angels – Why go to court for judgment by unbelievers?

¹ Dare any of you, having a matter against another, go to law before the unrighteous, and not before the saints? ² Do you not know that the saints will judge the world? And if the world will be judged by you, are you unworthy to judge the smallest matters? ³ Do you not know that we shall judge angels? How much more, things that pertain to this life? ⁴ If then you have judgments concerning things pertaining to this life, do you appoint those who are least esteemed by the church to judge?

⁵ I say this to your shame. Is it so, that there is not a wise man among you, not even one, who will be able to judge between his brethren? ⁶ But brother goes to law against brother, and that before unbelievers!

⁷ Now therefore, it is already an utter failure for you that you go to law against one another. Why do you not rather accept wrong? Why do you not rather let yourselves be cheated? ⁸ No, you yourselves do wrong and cheat, and you do these things to your brethren!

Unrighteousness will not inherit the Kingdom of God

⁹ Do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived. Neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor homosexuals, nor sodomites, ¹⁰ nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners will inherit the kingdom of God.

You were washed, sanctified, and justified by the Holy Spirit

¹¹ And such were some of you. But you were washed, but you were sanctified, but you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus and by the Spirit of our God.

Human desires and its food will be destroyed by God

¹² All things are lawful for me, but all things are not helpful. All things are lawful for me, but I will not be brought under the power of any. ¹³ Foods for the stomach and the stomach for foods, but God will destroy both it and them. [[1 Corinthians 10:23](#)]

The Body is for the Lord as members of Christ – flee sexual immorality

Now the body is not for sexual immorality but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. ¹⁴ And God both raised up the Lord and will also raise us up by His power.

¹⁵ Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? Shall I then take the members of Christ and make them members of a harlot? Certainly not! ¹⁶ Or do you not know that he who is joined to a harlot is one body with her? For "the two," He says, "shall become one flesh."

¹⁷ But he who is joined to the Lord is one spirit with Him.

¹⁸ Flee sexual immorality. Every sin that a man does is outside the body, but he who commits sexual immorality sins against his own body.

Your Body is the Temple of the Holy Spirit

¹⁹ Or do you not know that your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit who is in you, whom you have from God, and you are not your own? ²⁰ For you were bought at a price; therefore glorify God in your body and in your spirit, which are God's.

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Facts Revealed:

Saints will judge the world and angels – Why go to court for judgment by unbelievers? [1 Corinthians 6:1-8]

- ✚ It is shameful for Christians to turn to courts of law to settle their disputes, when the judge in the court of law is an unbeliever.
- ✧ Saints will judge the world. [1 Corinthians 6:1-2, Revelation 2:26-27, 20:4, Matthew 19:28]
- ✧ Saints will judge angels. [1 Corinthians 6:3]
- ✚ Church disputes should be settled in the Church.
- ✧ It is better to be wronged, than to expose the matter before the ungodly.
- ✧ It is a disgrace for those who should set the example of righteousness to be found doing wrong toward each other.

Unrighteousness will not inherit the Kingdom of God [1 Corinthians 6:9-10]

- ✚ Do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God?
- ✧ Some of those who **will not** inherit the Kingdom of God:
fornicators, idolaters, adulterers, homosexuals, sodomites, thieves, covetous, drunkards, revilers, extortioners

You were washed, sanctified, and justified by the Holy Spirit [1 Corinthians 6:11]

- ✚ We were sinners before we found Salvation through faith in Messiah Jesus, and many of us were guilty of the listed sins.
- ✚ Yet when we believed in the name of the Lord Jesus, we were cleansed and purified by the Holy Spirit of God, washed, sanctified, and justified.
- ✚ Having been made pure by the Spirit of God, we are to make every effort to remain pure.

Human desires and its food will be destroyed by God [1 Corinthians 6:12-13]

- ✚ Though things are lawful, they are not always helpful.
- ✧ Foods for the stomach and the stomach for foods, but God will destroy them both.

The Body is for the Lord as members of Christ – Flee sexual immorality [1 Corinthians 6:13-18]

- ✚ Believers must know that their body is to be kept pure for the Lord Who bought them with His Own Blood.
- ✚ God will also raise us up by His power.
- ✚ Our bodies are members of Christ, therefore, keep them pure.
- ✧ If you give your body to a harlot you become one flesh with her (married), for God has said, "The two shall become one flesh."
- ✧ If we are joined to the Lord, we are one spirit with Him.
- ✧ Flee sexual immorality, for whoever commits sexual immorality sins against his own body.

Your Body is the Temple of the Holy Spirit [1 Corinthians 6:19-20]

- ✚ Your body is the Temple of the Holy Spirit Who is in you, Whom you have from God.
- ✧ You were bought with a price by the blood of Jesus. [Acts 20:28, Hebrews 9:11-12, 13:12, Revelation 1:5, 5:9, 7:14, Romans 3:24-25, 5:8-9, Ephesians 1:7, 2:13, Colossians 1:13-14, 19-20, 1 Peter 1:17-19, 1 John 1:7]
- ✧ Therefore, glorify God in your body and spirit which belong to God.