

The First Epistle of Paul the Apostle to the
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¹ Paul, called as an apostle of Jesus Christ through a will of God, and Sosthenes the brother,

² To the assembly of God, the one being in Corinth, to those having been consecrated in Christ Jesus, called holy ones, with all those calling upon the name of our Lord Jesus Christ in every place, both theirs and ours:

³ Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

⁴ I am thanking my God always concerning you for the grace of God given to you in Christ Jesus, ⁵ so that in everything you were enriched in Him in all word and in all knowledge, ⁶ just as the testimony of the Christ was confirmed in you, ⁷ so that you aren't lacking in any gift, eagerly awaiting the revelation of our Lord Jesus Christ, ⁸ Who also will confirm you until the end, blameless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. ⁹ God is faithful, through Whom you were called into the fellowship of His Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

¹⁰ Now, I am exhorting you, brethren, through the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, so that you may all be speaking the same thing, and that there may be no splits among you, but that you may be adjusted in the same mind and in the same judgment. ¹¹ For it was indicated to me concerning you, my brethren, by those from Chloe, that there are strifes among you. ¹² Now I say this, that each of you is saying, "I am of Paul," "I of Apollos," "I of Cephas," "I of Christ." ¹³ Has Christ been divided? Paul wasn't crucified for you, was he? Or were you immersed in the name of Paul? ¹⁴ I am thanking God that I immersed none of you except Crispus and Gaius, ¹⁵ so that no one should say that I immersed in my name. ¹⁶ And I immersed also the house of Stephanas. Beyond that, I don't know if I immersed anyone else. ¹⁷ For Christ didn't send me to be immersing, but to be announcing the good message, not in wisdom of word, so that the cross of the Christ might not be emptied.

¹⁸ For the word of the cross is foolishness to those perishing, but it is the power of God to us who are being saved. ¹⁹ For it has been written, "I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the intelligence of the intelligent will I displace." ²⁰ Where is the wise? Where the scribe? Where the debater of this age? Didn't God make the wisdom of this world foolish? ²¹ For since, in the wisdom of God, the world didn't know God through its wisdom, God was pleased to save those believing through the foolishness of the proclamation. ²² Since also Jews are requesting a sign, and Greeks are seeking wisdom, ²³ but we are proclaiming Christ having been crucified, to Jews a trap, and to Greeks foolishness, ²⁴ but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. ²⁵ Because the foolish thing of God is wiser than the things of men, and the weak thing of God is stronger than the things of men.

²⁶ For you are seeing your calling, brethren, that there aren't many wise according to flesh, not many powerful, not many noble. ²⁷ But God chose the foolish things of the world so that He might humiliate the wise, and God chose the weak things of the world so that He might humiliate the strong things; ²⁸ and God chose the ignoble of the world,

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and the despised, and the things which are not so that He might nullify the things which are,²⁹ that no flesh should boast before God.³⁰ But of Him you are in Christ Jesus, Who became for us wisdom from God – and righteousness and holiness and redemption;³¹ so that, as it has been written, “The one boasting, let him be boasting in the Lord.”

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¹ And I, having come to you, brethren, didn't come according to excellence of word or wisdom, announcing to you the testimony of God. ² For I judged not to know anything among you except Jesus Christ, and this One having been crucified. ³ And I was with you in weakness, and in fear, and in much trembling. ⁴ And my word and my proclamation were not in persuasive words of human wisdom, but in evidence of the Spirit and of power,⁵ so that your faith shouldn't be in human wisdom, but in the power of God.

⁶ But we are speaking wisdom among the completed, but not wisdom of this age, nor of the rulers of this age, who are being nullified. ⁷ But we are speaking wisdom of God in a secret, the hidden, which God foreordained before the ages for our glory,⁸ which none of the rulers of this age knew; for if they had known, they wouldn't have crucified the Lord of the glory. ⁹ But just as it has been written, “The things which eye hasn't seen, and ear hasn't heard, and haven't come up in a human heart – the things which God has prepared for those having been devoted to Him.” ¹⁰ But God revealed them to us through His Spirit. For the Spirit is searching all things, even the deep things of God. ¹¹ For who of men has known the things of a man, except the spirit of the man which is in him? So also, no one has known the things of God, except the Spirit of God. ¹² But we didn't receive the spirit of the world, but the Spirit Who is from God, so that we might know the things having been granted to us by God;¹³ which also we are speaking, not in words taught by human wisdom, but in those taught from the Holy Spirit, connecting spiritual with spiritual. ¹⁴ But a soulical man isn't receiving the things of the Spirit of God, for to him they are foolishness, and he isn't able to know them because they are being investigated spiritually. ¹⁵ But the spiritual person is investigating all things, but he himself is being investigated by no one. ¹⁶ For “Who knew the mind of the Lord, who will instruct Him?” But we are having the mind of Christ.

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¹ And I, brethren, wasn't able to speak to you as to spiritual people, but as to fleshly, as to babies in Christ. ² I gave you milk to drink and not solid food, for you were not yet able. But neither are you yet now able. ³ For you are yet fleshly. For where there are jealousy, and strife, and divisions among you, aren't you fleshly and walking according to man? ⁴ For whenever someone says, “I am of Paul” and another, “I of Apollos” aren't you fleshly?

⁵ Who then is Paul, and who Apollos, but the servants through whom you believed, and to each as the Lord gave? ⁶ I planted, Apollos watered, but God was causing growth. ⁷ So then, neither the one planting is anything, nor the one watering, but the One causing growth – God! ⁸ Now the one planting and the one watering are one, and

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each one will receive his own wage according to his own labor. ⁹ For we are God's co-workers; you are God's field, God's building.

¹⁰ According to the grace of God given to me, as a wise head builder, I have laid a foundation, but another is building on it. But let each be looking to how he is building on it. ¹¹ For another foundation no one is able to lay, beside the one being laid, which is Jesus Christ. ¹² But if anyone is building upon this foundation with gold, silver, precious stones, wood, grass, straw, ¹³ the work of each will become manifest, for the day will evidence it, because it is being revealed in fire; and the fire will test the work of each, what sort it is. ¹⁴ If the work of anyone which he built continues, he will receive a wage. ¹⁵ If the work of anyone shall be burned down, he shall suffer loss, yet he himself will be saved, yet so as through fire.

¹⁶ Haven't you known that you are a temple of God and the Spirit of God is dwelling in you? ¹⁷ If anyone is corrupting the temple of God, God will cause this one to himself corrupt. For the temple of God is holy, which you are.

¹⁸ Let no one be deluding himself. If anyone among you is supposing to be wise in this age, let him become foolish so that he may become wise. ¹⁹ For the wisdom of this world is foolishness with God. For it has been written, "The One catching the wise in their craftiness," ²⁰ and again, "The Lord is knowing the reasonings of the wise, that they are futile." ²¹ So then, let no one boast in men: for everything is yours, ²² whether Paul or Apollos or Cephas, or the world or life or death, or things present or things coming, everything is yours, ²³ but you are of Christ and Christ of God.

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¹ Let a man so consider us: as attendants of Christ and stewards of secrets of God. ² Yet furthermore, what is being sought for among stewards is that one be found faithful. ³ But to me it is as a very small thing that I should be judged under you, or under a human day; but I am not even investigating myself. ⁴ For I am conscious of nothing against myself, but I have not been made righteous by this; but the One investigating me is the Lord. ⁵ Therefore don't be judging anything before season, until the Lord comes, Who also will bring to light the hidden things of the darkness and will manifest the purposes of the hearts; and then the praise will be to each one from God.

⁶ Yet I transmuted these things, brethren, to myself and Apollos for your sakes, so that you may learn in us not to be thinking beyond that which has been written, so that no one should be inflated for one against the other. ⁷ For who is separating you? And what are you having that you didn't receive? But if you also received, why are you boasting as not having received? ⁸ Already you have been satiated! Already you are enriched! Without us you reigned; and would indeed you reigned, so that we will also reign together with you. ⁹ For I suppose that God displayed us, the apostles, last; as sentenced to death; because we became an exhibition to the world and messengers and men. ¹⁰ We are fools for the sake of Christ, but you prudent in Christ! We are weak, but you strong! You are respected, but we dishonored! ¹¹ Until the present hour we both hunger and thirst, and are having little clothing, and are punched, and are unsettled, ¹² and we toil, working with our own hands. Being reviled, we are blessing; being persecuted, we are persevering; ¹³ being defamed, we are exhorting. We became as the refuse of the world, the offscourings of all until now.

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¹⁴ I am not writing these things to embarrass you, but as my beloved children I am warning you. ¹⁵ For if you might be having ten thousand guides in Christ, yet not many fathers; for in Christ Jesus I begot you through the good message. ¹⁶ Therefore I am encouraging you, become imitators of me. ¹⁷ For this reason I sent Timothy to you, who is my beloved and faithful child in the Lord, who will remind you of my ways which are in Christ, just as I am teaching in every assembly everywhere. ¹⁸ Now some were inflated, as though I am not coming to you. ¹⁹ But I will come speedily to you if the Lord wills, and I will know, not the word of those having been inflated, but the power. ²⁰ For the kingdom of God isn't in word, but in power. ²¹ What are you wanting? With a rod shall I come to you, or in devotion and a spirit of gentleness?

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¹ It is actually heard that there is fornication among you, and such fornication which isn't even named among the nations, so as for someone to be having the wife of his father! ² And you are being inflated; and have not rather grieved, so that the one having done this work might be taken out from your midst. ³ For I indeed, as being absent in the body, but being present in the spirit, have already judged (as being present) the one having worked this out. ⁴ In the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, when you are gathered together, and my spirit, with the power of our Lord Jesus Christ, ⁵ are to hand over such a one to Satan for destruction of the flesh, so that the spirit may be saved in the day of the Lord Jesus.

⁶ Not good is your boasting. Haven't you known that a little leaven leavens the whole lump? ⁷ Clean out the old leaven so that you may be a new lump, since you are unleavened. For also our Passover, Christ, was sacrificed for us. ⁸ So then, let us be keeping the feast, not in old leaven, nor in leaven of depravity and evil, but in unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.

⁹ I wrote to you in the letter not to be mingling with fornicators. ¹⁰ And I didn't mean altogether – with the fornicators of this world, or with the greedy, or with robbers, or with idolators – since then you are being obligated to go out of the world. ¹¹ But now I wrote to you not to mingle with anyone being named a brother, if he should be a fornicator, or a greedy person, or an idolator, or a reviler, or a drunkard, or a robber – not even to eat with such. ¹² For what is it to me to also be judging those outside? Aren't you judging those inside? ¹³ But those outside God is judging. And put away from yourselves the evil person.

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¹ Does anyone among you, having a case against the other, dare to be judged before the unjust, and not before the holy ones? ² Haven't you known that the holy ones will judge the world? And if the world is being judged by you, are you unworthy of very small courts? ³ Haven't you known that we will judge messengers? Not to mention matters of life! ⁴ If then you may be having courts concerning matters of life, are you appointing these: those being despised by the assembly? ⁵ I am saying this for your embarrassment. So there isn't among you a wise person (not even one), who will be able to decide between his brethren? ⁶ But brother is being judged by brother, and this before

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unbelievers! ⁷ Therefore it is already entirely a defeat for you that you are having lawsuits against each other! Why not rather be wronged? Why not rather be deprived? ⁸ But you are wronging and depriving, and these things to brethren! ⁹ Or haven't you known that the unjust will not inherit the kingdom of God? Don't be deceived. Neither fornicators, nor idolators, nor adulterers, nor homosexuals, nor sodomites, ¹⁰ nor greedy ones, nor thieves, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor robbers will inherit the kingdom of God. ¹¹ And some of you were these. But you were washed clean, but you were made holy, but you were made righteous in the name of the Lord Jesus and in the Spirit of our God.

¹² All things are permissible to me, but not all things are benefiting. All things are permissible to me, but I won't be under the authority of anything. ¹³ The foods for the stomach and the stomach for the foods, but God will nullify both this and these. But the body is not for fornication, but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. ¹⁴ And God both raised up the Lord, and will raise us up through His power. ¹⁵ Haven't you known that your bodies are members of Christ? Having taken then, the members of Christ, shall I make them members of a fornicatress? May it never happen! ¹⁶ Haven't you known that the one being joined to a fornicatress is one body? For, He asserts, "The two shall be for one flesh." ¹⁷ But the one being joined to the Lord is one spirit. ¹⁸ Be fleeing fornication. Every sin that a man may do is outside the body, but the one fornicating is sinning against his own body. ¹⁹ Or haven't you known that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit in you, Whom you are having 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 of God.

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¹ But concerning the things of which you wrote to me: It is good for a man not to be touching a woman. ² But because of the fornications, let each man have his own wife, and let each woman have her own husband. ³ To the wife let the husband be rendering the obligatory goodwill, but likewise also the wife to the husband. ⁴ The wife isn't having authority over her own body, but the husband, and likewise also the husband isn't having authority over his own body, but the wife. ⁵ Don't be depriving one another, except from agreement for a season, so that you may be at leisure for fasting and prayer, and come together again upon the same, so that Satan may not be tempting you through your lack of self-control. ⁶ But I am saying this according to a concession, not according to command. ⁷ For I am desiring all men to be as I myself. But each is having his own gift from God; one this and another that.

⁸ But I am saying to the unmarried and the widows, it is good for them if they should continue as I am also; ⁹ but if they aren't exercising self-control, let them marry. For it is better to marry than to be burning.

¹⁰ But to those having married I am charging, not I, but the Lord: a wife is not to be separated from her husband. ¹¹ But even if she should separate, she is to remain unmarried or be reconciled to the husband. And a husband isn't to be sending away his wife. ¹² But to the rest I am saying, not the Lord, if any brother has an unbelieving wife and she is consenting to be dwelling with him, he is not to be sending her away. ¹³ And a wife who has an unbelieving husband and he is consenting to be dwelling with her, she is not to be sending him away. ¹⁴ For the unbelieving husband has been sanctified in the

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wife, and the unbelieving wife has been sanctified in the husband; for otherwise your children are unclean, but now they are holy. ¹⁵ But if the unbelieving one is separating, let him separate. The brother or the sister has not been enslaved in such cases; but God has called us in peace. ¹⁶ For how have you known, wife, if you will save your husband? Or how have you known, husband, if you will save your wife?

¹⁷ But as God divided to each, as the Lord has called each one, so he is to be walking. And so I order in all the assemblies. ¹⁸ Was anyone called having been circumcised? Let him not draw over. Was anyone called in uncircumcision? Let him not be circumcised. ¹⁹ The circumcision is nothing, and the uncircumcision is nothing, but keeping the commandments of God. ²⁰ Let each one be remaining in the calling in which he was called. ²¹ Were you called a slave? Don't let it be a concern to you. But if also you are made able to become free, rather use it. ²² For the one in the Lord, having been called a slave, is a freedman of the Lord. And likewise the free, having been called, is a slave of Christ. ²³ At a price you were bought. Don't become slaves of men.

²⁴ Brethren, each one in that in which he was called, in this let him remain with God.

²⁵ But concerning the virgins, I am not having a command of the Lord, but I am giving an opinion as having been given mercy by the Lord to be faithful. ²⁶ Therefore I regard this to be good through the present distress: that it is good for a man to be thus. ²⁷ Have you been bound to a wife? Don't be seeking release. Have you been released from a wife? Don't be seeking a wife. ²⁸ But if also you should marry, you didn't sin; and if the virgin should marry, she hasn't sinned. But such will have affliction in flesh, but I am sparing you. ²⁹ But this I am asserting, brethren: The season having been contracted, it is remaining so that even those having wives should be as not having, ³⁰ and those wailing as not wailing, and those rejoicing as not rejoicing, and those buying as not possessing, ³¹ and those using this world as not overusing it. For the appearance of this world is passing away. ³² But I am wanting you to be without concern. The unmarried man is concerned about the things of the Lord, how he might please the Lord. ³³ But the man having married is concerned about the things of the world, how he may please the wife. ³⁴ And the wife and the virgin are different. The unmarried woman is concerned about the things of the Lord, that she may be holy, both in body and in spirit. But the woman having married is concerned about the things of the world, how she may please the husband. ³⁵ But I am saying this for your own benefit, not so that I might cast upon you a noose, but toward that which is becoming and assiduous to the Lord without distraction.

³⁶ Now if anyone is regarding himself to be behaving unbecomingly toward his virgin, if she is over her prime, and so it is obligated to happen, let him do what he is wanting. He isn't sinning; let them marry. ³⁷ But he who has stood firm in the heart, not having compulsion, but is having authority concerning his own desire, and he has judged this in his heart: to keep his own virgin, is doing well. ³⁸ So also the one giving in marriage is doing well, but the one not giving in marriage is doing better.

³⁹ A wife has been bound by law upon as much time as her husband lives, but if also the husband sleeps, she is free to be married to whom she wants, only in the Lord.

⁴⁰ But she is more blessed if she continues thus, according to my opinion – and I am supposing also to have the Spirit of God.

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¹ But concerning the things sacrificed to idols: We have known that we all are having knowledge. The knowledge is inflating, but the devotion is building up. ² And if anyone is supposing to know anything, he has come to know nothing yet as it is necessary to know. ³ But if anyone is devoted to God, this one has been known by Him. ⁴ Therefore concerning the eating of the things sacrificed to idols, we have known that an idol is nothing in the world, and that there is no other God but one. ⁵ For even if they are being called “gods,” whether in heaven or on earth (just as there are many “gods” and many “lords”), ⁶ yet for us there is one God, the Father, from Whom are all things and we for Him; and one Lord, Jesus Christ, through Whom are all things and we through Him.

⁷ But this knowledge is not in all; but some, with consciousness of the idol, eat until now as sacrificed to idols, and their conscience, being weak, is being smeared. ⁸ But food will not present us to God, for neither if we eat are we excelling, nor if we don't eat are we lacking. ⁹ But watch, lest this authority of yours might be a stumbling block to the weak. ¹⁰ For if anyone must see you – the one having knowledge – lying in an idol's temple, won't his conscience, being weak, be built up for the eating of the things sacrificed to idols? ¹¹ And because of your knowledge the weak brother is being destroyed, for whose sake Christ died! ¹² But thus sinning against the brethren and striking their weak conscience, you are sinning against Christ. ¹³ For which cause, if food is snaring my brother, I will certainly not eat meat into the age, so that I might not snare my brother.

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¹ Am I not an apostle? Am I not free? Have I not seen Jesus Christ our Lord? Aren't you my work in the Lord? ² If to others I am not an apostle, yet indeed I am to you. For you are the seal of my apostleship in the Lord. ³ My defense to the ones investigating me is this: ⁴ Aren't we having authority to be eating and drinking? ⁵ Aren't we having authority to be leading about a sister (a wife), as also the remaining apostles, and the brothers of the Lord, and Cephas? ⁶ Or only I and Barnabas aren't having authority not to be working? ⁷ Who is ever soldiering at his own expense? Who is planting a vineyard and isn't eating of its fruit? Or who will shepherd a flock and isn't eating from the milk of the flock? ⁸ I don't speak these things according to man, do I? Or doesn't the law also say these things? ⁹ For it has been written in the law of Moses, “You shall not muzzle a threshing ox.” It's not a concern with God for oxen, is it? ¹⁰ Or isn't He saying this altogether for our sakes? For it was written for our sakes, that the one plowing ought to be plowing upon an expectation, and the one threshing ought to, in expectation, be partaking of his expectation. ¹¹ If we sowed to you the spiritual, is it a great thing if we reap from you the fleshly? ¹² If others are partaking of this authority over you, shouldn't we more?

But we didn't use this authority, but we are enduring all things, so that we might not give any hindrance to the good message of the Christ. ¹³ Haven't you known that the ones working the things of the temple are eating from the temple, and those attending to the altar are having a share in the altar? ¹⁴ And thus the Lord ordered those announcing the good message to be living from the good message. ¹⁵ But I have used none of these

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things. But I haven't written these things so that it might become such with me, for it is good for me rather to die than that anyone should make my boasting empty. ¹⁶ For if I announce the good message, there isn't boasting for me, for necessity is laid upon me. But woe is to me if I shouldn't announce the good message! ¹⁷ For if I am practicing this voluntarily, I have a reward; but if unwillingly, I have been entrusted with a stewardship. ¹⁸ What then is my reward? That having announced the good message, I might present the good message of the Christ without charge, so as not to overuse my authority in the good message.

¹⁹ For being free from all, I enslaved myself to all, so that I might gain the more. ²⁰ And I became as a Jew to the Jews, so that I might gain Jews; to those under law, as under law, so that I might gain those under law; ²¹ to those without law, as without law (not being without law to God, but within law to Christ), so that I might gain those without law. ²² I became as weak to those being weak, so that I might win the weak. I have become all things to all people, so that I will altogether save some. ²³ But this I am doing for the sake of the good message, so that I may become a participant of it.

²⁴ Haven't you known that those running in a stadium all are running, but one is receiving the award? So run, so that you may obtain. ²⁵ But everyone contending is exercising self-control in all things. Now they do this so that they may receive a corruptible winner's crown, but we for an incorruptible. ²⁶ So I am running thus: not as uncertainly. Thus I am boxing: not as thrashing air. ²⁷ But I am beating under the eye my body, and I am leading it into slavery, lest having proclaimed to others, I might myself become disapproved.

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¹ But I am not wanting you to be ignorant, brethren, that all our fathers were under the cloud, and all went through the sea, ² and all were immersed into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, ³ and all ate the same spiritual food, ⁴ and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they were drinking from a spiritual Rock following them, and the Rock was the Christ. ⁵ But God wasn't pleased with the majority of them, for they were strewn in the wilderness. ⁶ But these things became examples for us, toward our not being cravers of evil things, just as those also craved; ⁷ nor be idolators, just as some of them, as it has been written, "The people sat down to eat and to drink, and stood up to play." ⁸ Nor let us be fornicating, just as some of them fornicated and twenty-three thousand fell in one day; ⁹ nor let us be testing out the Christ, just as also some of them tested and perished by the snakes; ¹⁰ nor be complaining, just as also some of them complained and perished under the destroyer. ¹¹ But all these were happening to them as examples, and they were written for our warning, to whom the ends of the ages have arrived. ¹² Therefore the one supposing to have stood, let him be watching lest he should fall. ¹³ Temptation hasn't taken you, except a human one; but God is faithful, Who won't allow you to be tempted above what you are being able, but will also make the exit with the temptation, toward your being able to persevere.

¹⁴ Therefore, my beloved ones, be fleeing from idolatry. ¹⁵ I am speaking as to prudent people: you judge what I am saying. ¹⁶ The cup of the blessing which we are blessing, isn't it participation of the blood of the Christ? The bread which we are breaking, isn't it participation of the body of the Christ? ¹⁷ Because we, the many, are

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one bread, one body; for we are all partaking of the one bread. ¹⁸ Look at Israel according to flesh: Aren't those eating the sacrifices participants of the altar? ¹⁹ What then am I saying? That an idol is anything, or that something offered to an idol is anything? ²⁰ Rather that the things the nations are sacrificing they are sacrificing to demons and not to God. But I am not desiring for you to be becoming participants with demons. ²¹ You aren't able to drink the cup of the Lord and the cup of demons; you aren't able to partake of the table of the Lord and the table of demons. ²² Or are we provoking the Lord to jealousy? We aren't stronger than Him, are we?

²³ All things are permissible for me, but not all things are benefiting. All things are permissible for me, but not all things are building up. ²⁴ Let no one be seeking his own things, but each one the things of the other. ²⁵ Eat everything being sold in a meat market, asking nothing for the sake of conscience; ²⁶ for "the earth is of the Lord and its fullness." ²⁷ And if someone of the unbelieving is inviting you and you are desiring to go, be eating anything set before you, asking nothing for the sake of conscience. ²⁸ But if anyone should say to you, "This is offered to idols," don't be eating it, because of that one having informed you and the conscience; for "the earth is of the Lord and its fullness." ²⁹ But I am saying "conscience," not your own, but that of the other. For why is my freedom being judged under another's conscience? ³⁰ If I am partaking with thanks, why am I being defamed over that for which I am giving thanks. ³¹ Therefore, whether you are eating or drinking, or anything you are doing, be doing all for glory of God. ³² Be without stumbling both toward Jews and Greeks, and toward the assembly of God; ³³ just as I also am pleasing to all in all, not seeking my own benefit, but that of the many, so that they may be saved.

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¹ Be becoming emulators of me, just as I also am of Christ.

² Now I am praising you, brethren, that you have remembered all things from me, and just as I delivered them to you, you are firmly holding to the traditions. ³ But I am wanting you to know that the Christ is the head of every man, but man is the head of woman, and God is the head of Christ. ⁴ Every man praying or prophesying, having something down over his head, is shaming his head. ⁵ But every woman praying or prophesying, head uncovered, is shaming her own head, for it is one and the same as having been shaved. ⁶ For if a woman isn't covered up, let her also shear her hair. But if it is shameful for a woman to be shorn or to be being shaved, let her be covered up. ⁷ For a man ought not to be covering up the head, being the image and glory of God; but woman is the glory of man. ⁸ For man is not from woman, but woman from man. ⁹ For also man wasn't created for the sake of woman, but woman for the sake of the man. ¹⁰ For this reason the woman ought to be having authority upon the head for the sake of the messengers. ¹¹ Nevertheless neither is man apart from woman, nor woman apart from man in the Lord. ¹² For as the woman is from the man, so also the man is through the woman, but all things are from God. ¹³ You judge among yourselves. Is it proper for a woman to be praying to God not covered up? ¹⁴ Or isn't nature itself teaching you that if a man should have long hair, it is a dishonor to him? ¹⁵ But if a woman should have long hair, it is a glory for her; because the long hair has been given instead of a cloak. ¹⁶ But if

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anyone is seeming to be contention-loving, we aren't having such a custom, nor the assemblies of God.

¹⁷ But instructing this I am not praising you, because you are coming together not for the better, but for the worse. ¹⁸ For first, when you are coming together in assembly, I am hearing that splits exist among you, and in some part I am believing it. ¹⁹ For it is necessary for heresies also to be among you, so that the approved among you may become manifest. ²⁰ Therefore, when you are coming together in the same place, it isn't to be eating the Lord's Supper. ²¹ For in the eating, each first takes his own supper, and one is hungry and another is drunk. ²² For don't you have houses for eating and drinking? Or are you despising the assembly of God, and are you humiliating those who don't have? What shall I say to you? Shall I praise you in this? I am not praising you!

²³ For I received from the Lord what I also delivered to you: that the Lord Jesus, in the night in which He was delivered up, took bread. ²⁴ And having given thanks, He broke it and said, "Be taking. Be eating. This is My body, which is broken for you. Be doing this in memory of Me." ²⁵ Likewise also the cup after dining, saying, "This cup is the New Covenant in My blood. Be doing this, as often as you may be drinking, in memory of Me." ²⁶ For as often as you may be eating this bread and drinking this cup, you are announcing the death of the Lord until He comes.

²⁷ So then, whoever may be eating this bread or drinking this cup of the Lord unworthily of the Lord, will be guilty of the body and of the blood of the Lord. ²⁸ But let a man be examining himself, and thus let him be eating of the bread and let him be drinking of the cup. ²⁹ For the one eating and drinking unworthily is eating and drinking judgment to himself, not distinguishing the body of the Lord. ³⁰ For this reason many among you are weak and sick, and sufficient number sleep. ³¹ For if we were examining ourselves, we wouldn't be judged. ³² But being judged under the Lord, we are being disciplined, so that we may not be condemned with the world. ³³ So then, my brethren, coming together to eat, be waiting for one another. ³⁴ But if anyone is hungry, let him be eating in his house, so that you may not be coming together for judgment. But the rest I will set in order whenever I come.

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¹ But concerning the spiritual things, brethren, I am not wanting you to be being ignorant. ² You have known how that when you were Gentiles you were being led to the voiceless idols, being led away. ³ Therefore I am making known to you that no one speaking in the Spirit of God is saying, "Jesus is slated for destruction." And no one is being able to say, "Jesus is Lord" except in the Holy Spirit.

⁴ But there are distinctions of gifts, but the same Spirit. ⁵ And there are distinctions of ministries, and the same Lord. ⁶ And there are distinctions of operations, but the same God is the One working all in all. ⁷ But to each is being given the manifestation of the Spirit toward the profiting. ⁸ For to one, through the Spirit, is being given a word of wisdom, but to another a word of knowledge according to the same Spirit, ⁹ but to a different one faith in the same Spirit, but to another gifts of healings in the same Spirit, ¹⁰ but to another operations of powers, but to another prophecy, but to another distinguishings of spirits, but to a different one kinds of tongues, but to another

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interpretation of tongues. ¹¹ But the one and the same Spirit is working all these things, distributing to each his own, just as He is purposing.

¹² For just as the body is one and is having many members, but all the members of the one body, being many, are one body, so also is the Christ. ¹³ For also in one Spirit we were all immersed into one body, whether Jews or Greeks, whether slaves or free, and we all were caused to drink into one Spirit. ¹⁴ For also the body is not one member, but many. ¹⁵ If the foot should say, "Because I am not a hand, I am not of the body," it isn't, because of this, not of the body. ¹⁶ And if the ear says, "Because I am not an eye, I am not of the body" it isn't, because of this, not of the body. ¹⁷ If the whole body were an eye, where would be the hearing? If the whole were hearing, where would be the sense of smell? ¹⁸ But now God set the members, each one of them in the body just as He wanted. ¹⁹ But if all were one member, where would be the body? ²⁰ But now there are many members, but one body.

²¹ But the eye isn't able to say to the hand, "I'm not having need of you"; or again the head to the feet, "I'm not having need of you." ²² But by much more, the members of the body seeming to be weaker are necessary. ²³ And those of the body which we are supposing to be less honorable, to these we are bestowing more abundant honor; and our unrepresentable parts have more abundant prominence. ²⁴ But our prominent parts don't have need. But God united the body, having given more abundant honor to the parts lacking, ²⁵ so that there wouldn't be splits in the body, but that the members should be caring the same way for each other. ²⁶ And if one member is suffering, all the members are suffering together; or if one member is receiving glory, all the members are rejoicing together.

²⁷ But you are the body of Christ, and members from being a part. ²⁸ And those whom God set in the assembly: first apostles, second prophets, third teachers, then powers, the gifts of healings, helps, steerings, kinds of tongues. ²⁹ All aren't apostles. All aren't prophets. All aren't teachers. All aren't possessors of powers. ³⁰ All don't have gifts of healings. All aren't speaking with tongues. All don't interpret. ³¹ But be zealous of the better gifts. And yet, according to an excellent way I am showing you:

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¹ If I am speaking with the tongues of men and of the messengers, but I am not having devotion, I have become sounding copper or a clanging cymbal. ² And if I am having prophecy and have known all the secrets and all the knowledge, and if I am having all belief so as to be removing mountains, but I am not having devotion, I am nothing. ³ And if I spoonfeed people from all my subsistence, and if I hand over my body so that I am burned, but I am not having devotion, I am being profited nothing.

⁴ This devotion is patient, is kind. This devotion isn't jealous. This devotion isn't bragging, isn't being inflated, ⁵ isn't behaving unbecomingly, isn't seeking its own, isn't being provoked, isn't imputing bad, ⁶ isn't rejoicing over unrighteousness, but is rejoicing with the truth, ⁷ is bearing all things, is believing all things, is expecting all things, is enduring all things.

⁸ This devotion is never falling. But whether there are prophecies, they will become inoperative; whether there are tongues, they will cease; whether knowledge, it will become inoperative. ⁹ But we are knowing in part and we are prophesying in part.

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¹⁰ But when the complete comes, then that which is in part will become inoperative.

¹¹ When I was a baby, I was speaking as a baby, I was thinking as a baby, I was considering as a baby, but when I became a man I nullified the things of the baby. ¹² For now we are seeing through a mirror in an enigma, but then face-to-face. Now I am knowing in part, but then I will recognize, just as I also was recognized. ¹³ But now continues belief, expectation, devotion, these three; but greatest of these is this devotion.

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¹ Be pursuing this devotion, but be zealous for the spiritual gifts, but especially so that you may be prophesying. ² For the one speaking in a tongue is not speaking to men, but to God, for no one is hearing; but in spirit he is speaking secrets. ³ But the one prophesying is speaking building up and encouragement and comfort to men. ⁴ One speaking in a tongue is building up himself, but the one prophesying is building up an assembly. ⁵ Now I am wanting you all to be speaking in tongues, but especially so that you may prophesy; for greater is the one prophesying than the one speaking in tongues, unless he interprets, so that the assembly may receive upbuilding.

⁶ But now, brethren, if I come to you speaking in tongues, what will I profit you unless I speak to you either in revelation, or in knowledge, or in prophecy, or in doctrine?

⁷ Likewise the lifeless things, giving sound, whether pipe or harp, if they don't give a distinction in the tones, how will what is being piped or what is being harped be known?

⁸ For also if a trumpet gives an uncertain sound, who will prepare himself for battle? ⁹ So also, if you don't give an intelligible message through the tongue, how will that being spoken be known? For you will be speaking into the air. ¹⁰ There are, if it should obtain, so many kinds of sounds in the world, and none of them voiceless. ¹¹ If then, I don't

know the power of the sound, I will be one from a country not speaking Greek to the one speaking, and the one speaking with me as one from a country not speaking Greek. ¹² So you also, since you are zealots of spiritual gifts, be zealous so that you may be abounding toward the upbuilding of the assembly. ¹³ Therefore, let the one speaking in a tongue be praying so that he may be interpreting. ¹⁴ For if I am praying in a tongue, my spirit is praying, but my mind is unfruitful. ¹⁵ What is it then? I will pray with the spirit, but I will pray also with the mind. I will sing psalms with the spirit, but I will sing psalms also with the mind. ¹⁶ Otherwise, if you are blessing with the spirit, how will the one

occupying the place of the uninformed say the "Amen" at your thanksgiving, since he hasn't known what you are saying? ¹⁷ For you are giving thanks well, but the other isn't being built up. ¹⁸ I am thanking my God that I am speaking in tongues more than you all; ¹⁹ but in assembly I am desiring to speak five words through my mind so that I may instruct others also, rather than ten thousand words in a tongue.

²⁰ Brethren, don't become little children in your thinking, but in depravity be babies; but in thinking be becoming mature. ²¹ In the law it has been written, " 'in different tongues and in different lips I will speak to this people, and they will not heed Me in this.' says the Lord." ²² So then, the tongues are for a sign, not to those believing, but to the unbelievers; but prophesy is not for unbelievers, but for those believing. ²³ If then the whole assembly comes together at the same place, and all are speaking in tongues, and uninformed or unbelievers come in, won't they say that you are insane?

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²⁴ But if all prophesy, and someone unbelieving or uninformed comes in, he is being rebuked by all; he is being investigated by all. ²⁵ And so the hidden things of his heart are becoming manifest. And so, falling on his face, he will worship God, reporting that God is really among you.

²⁶ What is it then, brethren? Whenever you are coming together, each of you is having a psalm, is having a doctrine, is having a tongue, is having a revelation, is having a translation. Let all be for building up. ²⁷ If anyone is speaking in a tongue, let it be by two or, at the most, three, and in turn, and let one be interpreting. ²⁸ And if there isn't an interpreter, let him be silent in assembly, but let him be speaking to himself and to God. ²⁹ But let two or three prophets be speaking, and let the others be passing judgment.

³⁰ But if something is revealed to another sitting by, let the first be silent. ³¹ For you are all able to be prophesying one at a time, so that all may be learning and all may be encouraged. ³² And spirits of prophets are being submitted to prophets. ³³ For God isn't of disruption, but of peace.

As in all assemblies of the holy ones, ³⁴ let your women be silent in the assemblies, for it is not permitted for them to be speaking, but they are to be submitted, just as also the law is saying. ³⁵ But if they are desiring to be learning anything, let them be asking their own husbands in house, for it is a shameful thing for women to be speaking in assembly. ³⁶ Or did the word of God go out from you? Or to you only did it arrive?

³⁷ If anyone is supposing to be a prophet or a spiritual one, let him be recognizing the things which I am writing to you – that they are commandments of the Lord! ³⁸ But if anyone is being ignorant, let him be ignorant.

³⁹ So then, brethren, be zealous to prophesy, and don't be hindering the speaking in tongues. ⁴⁰ Let all be done in good form and according to order.

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¹ Now I am making known to you, brethren, the good message which I announced as a good message to you, which also you received, in which also you have stood, ² through which also you are being saved, if you are firmly holding to that word which I announced as a good message to you, unless you believed aimlessly. ³ For I delivered to you at the first what I also received: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, ⁴ and that He was buried, and that He has been raised on the third day according to the Scriptures, ⁵ and that He was seen by Cephas, then by the twelve. ⁶ Then He was seen by more than five hundred brethren at one time, of whom the majority are continuing until now, but some also have fallen asleep. ⁷ Then He was seen by James, then by all the apostles. ⁸ But last of all, just as though to the miscarriage, He was seen by me also. ⁹ For I am the least of the apostles, who am not sufficient to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the assembly of God. ¹⁰ But by grace of God I am what I am, and His grace which was to me became not vain, but I toiled more abundantly than all of them, but not I, rather the grace of God which was with me. ¹¹ Therefore whether I or they, so we are proclaiming, and so you believed.

¹² But if Christ is being proclaimed, that He has been raised from the dead, how are some among you saying that there is no resurrection of the dead? ¹³ But if there is no resurrection of the dead, neither has Christ been raised. ¹⁴ But if Christ has not been

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raised, then our proclamation is empty, but also your belief is empty! ¹⁵ But also we are being found false witnesses of God, because we testified that according to God, He raised the Christ, Whom He didn't raise – if indeed therefore the dead are not raised. ¹⁶ For if the dead are not raised, neither has Christ been raised. ¹⁷ But if Christ has not been raised, your belief is futile, you are yet in your sins! ¹⁸ Therefore also, those having fallen asleep in Christ perished. ¹⁹ If in this life only we have expected in Christ, we are more pitiable than all men!

²⁰ But now Christ has been raised from the dead. He became firstfruits of those having fallen asleep. ²¹ For since through a man is death, also through a Man is resurrection of the dead. ²² For as in Adam all are dying, so also in the Christ all will be enlivened. ²³ But each in his own order: firstfruits – Christ – then those of the Christ in His coming. ²⁴ Then the end, when He delivers the kingdom to God, namely the Father, when He nullifies every ruler and every authority and power. ²⁵ For it is necessary for Him to be reigning until He puts all the enemies under His feet. ²⁶ The last enemy being nullified is death. ²⁷ For “He subjected all under His feet.” But when He says that all has been subjected, it is evident that this is except for the One having subjected all things to Him. ²⁸ But when all things are subjected to Him, then also the Son Himself will be subjected to the One having subjected the all things to Him, so that God may be the all in all.

²⁹ Otherwise what will they do who are being immersed on behalf of the dead? If the dead aren't being raised at all, why are they also being immersed on behalf of the dead? ³⁰ Why also are we in danger every hour? ³¹ By your boasting which I am having in Christ Jesus our Lord, I am dying daily. ³² If according to man I fought with wild animals in Ephesus, what is the benefit to me? If the dead aren't raised, we may eat and we may drink, for tomorrow we are dying. ³³ Don't be deceived: Bad company is corrupting good habits! ³⁴ Righteously sober up and don't be sinning; for some are having ignorance of God. I am speaking to you toward embarrassment.

³⁵ But someone will say, “How are the dead being raised? And with what sort of body are they coming?” ³⁶ Non-thinker, what you are sowing isn't being enlivened unless it dies. ³⁷ And what you are sowing, you aren't sowing the body that it will become, but a naked kernel, if it should obtain of grain or of some of the rest. ³⁸ But God is giving to it a body just as He desired, and to each of the seeds its own body. ³⁹ Not all flesh is the same flesh, but there is other flesh: of men, and another flesh of creatures, and another of fish, and another of birds. ⁴⁰ And there are heavenly bodies and earthly bodies, but the glory of the heavenly is different, and that of the earthly is different.

⁴¹ There is another glory of sun, and another glory of moon, and another glory of stars, for star is differing from star in glory.

⁴² Thus also is the resurrection of the dead. It is being sown in corruption; it is raised in incorruption. ⁴³ It is being sown in dishonor; it is raised in glory. It is being sown in weakness; it is raised in power. ⁴⁴ It is being sown a soulical body; it is raised a spiritual body. There is a soulical body, and there is a spiritual body. ⁴⁵ Thus also it has been written: “The first man Adam became a living soul.” The last Adam became an enlivening spirit. ⁴⁶ But the spiritual isn't first, but the soulical, then the spiritual. ⁴⁷ The first man was from the earth, of soil; the second man the Lord from heaven. ⁴⁸ Like the one of soil, such also those of soil; and like the heavenly One, such also those heavenly.

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⁴⁹ And just as we wore the image of the one of soil, let us wear also the image of the heavenly One.

⁵⁰ Now this I am saying, brethren: that flesh and blood are not being able to inherit the kingdom of God, nor will the corruption be inheriting incorruption. ⁵¹ Behold, I am telling you a secret: we won't all sleep, but we will all be changed ⁵² – in a moment, in a blink of an eye, at the last trumpet. For a trumpet will sound and the dead will be raised incorruptible, and we will be changed. ⁵³ For it is necessary for this corruptible to put on incorruption, and for this mortal to put on immortality. ⁵⁴ And when this corruptible should put on incorruption, and this mortal should put on immortality, then will the word come to pass, that which has been written: “The death was swallowed up in victory. ⁵⁵ Death, where is your sting? Hades, where your victory?” ⁵⁶ But the sting of death is sin, but the power of sin, the law. ⁵⁷ But thanks be to God, the One giving us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ! ⁵⁸ So then, my beloved brethren, be becoming firm, immovable, always abounding in the work of the Lord, having known that your toil isn't vain in the Lord.

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¹ But concerning the collection for the holy ones, just as I ordered the assemblies of Galatia, so also you must do. ² According to a first of sabbaths, each of you be putting aside, storing up whatever something he may be prospering, so that when I come there may be no collections. ³ But when I come, whomever you approve through letters, these I will send to carry your gift to Jerusalem. ⁴ But if it is worthy of my going also, they will go with me.

⁵ But I will come to you when I go through Macedonia, for I am going through Macedonia. ⁶ But obtaining, I will stay with you or also winter, so that you may send me forth wherever I may go. ⁷ For I am not wanting to see you now on the way, but I am expecting to remain some time with you, if the Lord may permit. ⁸ But I will remain in Ephesus until Pentecost. ⁹ For a great and effective door has been opened to me, and many are opposing. ¹⁰ But if Timothy may come, be watching so that he may be without fear with you, for he is working the work of the Lord, as I also. ¹¹ Therefore no one may despise him. But send him forth in peace, so that he may come to me; for I am waiting for him with the brothers.

¹² But concerning the brother Apollos; I encouraged him many times so that he come to you with the brothers, and it was not at all his will that he come now, but he will come whenever he may have opportunity.

¹³ Be vigilant, be standing in the faith, be men, be made mighty. ¹⁴ Let everything about you be in devotion.

¹⁵ But I am encouraging you, brethren – you have known the house of Stephanas, that it is firstfruits of Achaia, and they aligned themselves for service to the holy ones ¹⁶ – so that you also may align yourselves under such, and to everyone working with them and toiling. ¹⁷ For I am rejoicing over the coming of Stephanas, and Fortunatus, and Achaicus, because these filled up your deficiency. ¹⁸ For they refreshed my spirit and yours. Therefore, greatly recognize such.

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¹⁹ The assemblies of Asia are greeting you. Aquila and Priscilla are greeting you much in the Lord, with the assembly in their house. ²⁰ All the brethren are greeting you. Greet one another with a holy kiss.

²¹ The greeting is by my hand – of Paul! ²² If anyone isn't loving the Lord Jesus Christ, let him be slated for destruction! Maranatha! ²³ The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ is with you. ²⁴ My devotion is with you all in Christ Jesus. Amen.