

# L97 | I Corinthians | Written for Our Admonition | I Cor. 10:6-22

## I. Intro/Review:

1. Spiritual privilege doesn't equate to spiritual maturity.
  - (:12 - "Wherefore let him that thinketh he standeth take heed lest he fall.")
    - 1.1 - The corruption of spiritual liberty produces castaways instead of obtainers of the incorruptible crown.
    - 1.2 - Use not liberty for an occasion to the flesh, but by love serve one another
    - 1.3 - Liberty is often used for selfish or sinful ends
2. Israel's Example
  - 2.1 - Spiritual Privilege
    - 2.1.1 - Under the cloud
    - 2.1.2 - Passed through the sea
    - 2.1.3 - Baptized unto Moses
    - 2.1.4 - Eat the same spiritual meat
    - 2.1.5 - Drink the same spiritual drink
  - 2.2 - With Many God was not well pleased
    - 2.2.1 - overthrown in the wilderness (1 Cor. 9:27 - "castaway")
  - 2.3 - Abuse of Privilege
    - 2.3.1 - Idolaters
    - 2.3.2 - Commit Fornication
    - 2.3.3 - Tempt Christ
    - 2.3.4 - Murmur

## II. Preview:

1. Israel's Lust of Evil Things
  - 1.1 - Idolatry
  - 1.2 - Fornication
  - 1.3 - Tempt Christ
  - 1.4 - Murmur

2. Written for Our Admonition

## III. Sermon:

**Neither be ye idolaters, as were some of them; as it is written, The people sat down to eat and drink, and rose up to play.  
{1 Corinthians 10:7}**

### 1. Israel's Lust of Evil Things

- "Lust" - longing desire; eagerness to possess or enjoy; concupiscence; carnal appetite

- "of evil things" - that which is contrary to God

## 1.1 - "neither" - "idolaters" (Acts 17:16 - "wholly given to idolatry")

### 1.1.1 - "idolatry" - combination of the first two commandments

- Ex. 20:3 - "thou shalt have no other gods before me."
- Ex. 20:4-6 - "thou shalt not make unto thee any graven image, or any likeness of any thing that is in heaven above, or that is in the earth beneath, or that is in the water under the earth: thou shalt not bow down thyself to them, nor serve them: for I the LORD thy God am a jealous God, visiting iniquity of the fathers upon the children unto the third and fourth generation of them that hate me;
- Deut. 4:1-24
  - Gentiles engaged in idolatry
- Rom. 1:20-32
  - Idolatry leads to doing things that are not convenient, not fitting to the purpose of God and the body He has given us.
  - It leads to this because idolatry erects a god to serve that justifies that which is contrary to God. Idolater is a slave to the depraved ideas his idols represent and subject to divers lusts

### 1.1.2 - Historical Account - Ex. 32:1ff

- (Ex. 19:1 - "in the third month, when the children of Israel were gone forth out of the land of Egypt, the same day came they into the wilderness of Sinai.")
- Ps. 106:13-27

### 1.1.3 - "eat and drink, and rose up to play."

- Eating and drinking what? - the manna He provided? The water He provided?
  - Hedonistic living
- "play" - fornication, immoral orgies scene and experienced in Egypt - follow the excessive feastings
- 1 Cor. 15:32 - "eat and drink"

**Neither let us commit fornication, as some of them committed, and fell in one day three and twenty thousand.  
{1 Corinthians 10:8}**

## 1.2 - "commit fornication"

### 1.2.1 - "fornication" - illicit sexual intercourse

- "whoremonger" - identified with fornication, adultery, chambering, wantonness
  - Works of darkness - sin justified by their wisdom to engage
  - Rom. 1

- 1 Cor. 5:1ff; 1 Cor. 6:9, 15; 1 Cor. 7:1ff

1.2.1 - Ex. 32:28, 35 - 3,000 the Levites killed and 20,000 in the plague

1.2.2 - Many think Num. 25:1ff (:9)

- Some say it is 2300 something and Numbers rounds up and 1 Cor. Rounds down
- Either way God judged this kind of behavior

**Neither let us tempt Christ, as some of them also tempted, and were destroyed of serpents.  
{1 Corinthians 10:9}**

### 1.3 - "Neither let us tempt Christ"

1.3.1 - Historical Context - Numbers 14:22-23 - tempted 10 times

- Numbers 21:1-9 - due to the serpents
  - To incite or solicit to an evil act; to entice to something wrong by presenting arguments that are plausible or convincing, or by the offer of some pleasure or apparent advantage as the inducement.
  - God had already proved them, this isn't the first or second time
  - God has already provided for them, thus tempt Him to provide something more as if His provision isn't sufficient.

1.3.2 - In Scripture, to try; to prove; to put to trial for proof.

- **Deut. 6:14-16 - *"Ye shall not go after other gods, of the gods of the people which are round about you; (For the LORD thy God is a jealous God among you) lest the anger of the LORD thy God be kindled against thee, and destroy thee from off the face of the earth. Ye shall not tempt the LORD your God, as ye tempted him in Massah."***
- Ex. 17:7
  - "chiding" - Scolding; clamoring; rebuking; making a harsh or continued noise.

**Neither murmur ye, as some of them also murmured, and were destroyed of the destroyer.  
{1 Corinthians 10:10}**

### 1.4 - "Neither murmur, as some of them also murmured,"

1.4.1 - Ex. 16:7 - murmuring commenced

1.4.2 - Num. 14:27 - how long shall I bear with this evil congregation, which murmur against me?..."

1.4.3 - Event | Num. 16:3-41 - Korah and Abiram raise a tumult against Moses and Aaron, as if they had been to blame for the punishment which the Lord had inflicted

**Now all these things happened unto them for ensamples: and they are written for our admonition, upon whom the ends of the world are come.  
{1 Corinthians 10:11}**

## 2. Written for Our Admonition

2.1 - "happened unto them for ensamples" - experienced as types, pattern

2.2 - "written for our admonition" - putting them in mind; training by word;

2.2.1 - Rom. 15 - things written aforetime written for our learning

2.3 - "upon whom the ends of the world are come."

2.3.1 - 1 Cor. 1:8 - "who shall also confirm you unto the end, that ye may be blameless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ."

2.3.2 - 1 Cor. 1:27-28

2.3.3 - 1 Cor. 2:6 - "...nor the princes of this world, that come to nought:"

2.3.4 - 1 Cor. 2:7 - "...which God ordained before the world unto our glory:"

- 1 Cor. 2:12 - "Now we have received, no the spirit of the world, but the spirit which is of God..."

2.3.5 - 1 Cor. 3:19 - "For the wisdom of the world is foolishness with God. For it is written, He taketh the wise in their own craftiness."

2.3.6 - 1 Cor. 6:2 - "...the saints shall judge the world?"

2.3.7 - 1 Cor. 7:31 - "...for the fashion of this world passeth away."

2.3.8 - 1 Cor. 8:13 - "...while the world standeth"

2.3.9 - 1 Cor. 11:32 - "...not be condemned with the world."

2.4 - The world with its wisdom and spirit along with its princes will come to nought, condemned, and destroyed - even the fashion of the world passeth away.

2.4.1 - The world as we know it will end and the ends of it "are come".

2.4.2 - We live in the ends of these things along with its darkness and lusts thus the necessary admonition, that is, to be put in mind these things will not abide, they are not everlasting, they will not stand and therefore we should not lust after them, we should not pursue them.

- 1 Cor. 15:24 - "Then cometh the end, when He shall have delivered up the kingdom to God, even the Father; when He shall have put down all rule and all authority and power."

## IV. Conclusion: