

# Saints in Sin City

**1st Corinthians 1:1-2**

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1 Paul, called to be an apostle of Jesus Christ through the will of God, and Sosthenes our brother,

2 To the church of God which is at Corinth, to those who are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, with all who in every place call on the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, both theirs and ours:

GREECE

Athens

Corinth

Achaia

Aegean Sea

Mediterranean Sea

CORINTH ! ATHENS







# Corinth

1. Rebelled against Roman rule in 146BC - rebuilt as a Roman Colony 46BC.
2. Homer's Iliad (9th century B.C.).
3. "Corinth" came to imply licentiousness. "Corinthianize" = to live in debauchery.
4. Founded the church [Acts 18:1-18](#).
5. Lost misunderstood letter? ([1 Cor 5:9-10](#)).

# Corinth

## **Three Visits:**

- 1) When church was founded;
- 2) The “painful” visit;
- 3) A visit after 2 Corinthians had been sent.

## **Four letters:**

- 1) The “Previous Letter”;
- 2) 1 Corinthians;
- 3) The “Severe Letter”;
- 4) 2 Corinthians.

# Problems

1. Division (1–4).
2. Discipline (5–6).
3. Divorce and Marriage (7).
4. Doctrinal disputes (8–10).
5. Demonstrative gifts (12–14).



For it is [not your strength, but it is] [a]God who is effectively at work in you, both to will and to work [that is, strengthening, energizing, and creating in you the longing and the ability to fulfill your purpose] for His good pleasure

- [Philippians 2:13 AMP](#) (see [Phil 1:6](#))

