

The Crisis at Corinth –Hostility in the Membership

When the World Invades the Church

1 Corinthians 6:1-11

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John 6:37 All that the Father gives Me will come to Me, and the one who comes to Me I will by no means cast out.

Note Paul's Seven Serious Questions for Corinth's sinfully self-centered Church.

Results of hostility in the membership

1. We are dismissing our **credentials** (verses 1-3)
 - a. You will judge the world
 - b. You will judge angels
2. We are destroying our **credibility**. (verses 4-6)
 - a. We lower our standards
 - b. We expose our shame –
3. We are defeating our **cause**. (verse 7-8)
 - a. We cheat ourselves of our **dignity** (verse 4)
 - b. We cheat our brother of his peace (verse 8)
 - c. We cheat our church of its **testimony** - Salt? Light? (Matthew 5:13-16)
 - d. We cheat our Lord of His glory. Ephesians 3:21
 - e. We cheat our world of our **witness**
4. We are denying our **conversion** (verses 9-11)
 - a. Don't forget who the world is.
 - b. Don't forget who you were. (Ephesians 2:1-3)
 - c. Don't forget who you are.
 - i. You were washed by Jesus (rev 1:5)
 - ii. You were sanctified by Jesus (verse 11)
 - iii. You were justified by Jesus (Romans 3:23-26)

Who then can be saved?