

Know ye not? Inheriting the Kingdom

"Know ye not that the unrighteous shall not inherit the kingdom of God?" - 1 Corinthians 6:9

1. There is not a wise man among you (Review)

- a. The doctrine Paul teaches is Jesus Christ according to mystery. (1 Cor 2:2, 6-8, Rom 16:25)
- b. Do not join others in their unrighteous ways. Grace ≠ excuse to sin. (1 Cor 5:9-10, 13)
- c. Paul does not question the Corinthians' salvation. He reminds them of it. They are:
 - i. Saved and saints. (1 Cor 1:2, 18)
 - ii. In Christ, belonging to God. (1 Cor 1:30)
 - iii. The temple of God, the Spirit of God dwells in them. (1 Cor 3:16)
 - iv. Belonging to Christ. (1 Cor 3:23)
 - v. The body of Christ. (1 Cor 3:9, Eph 2:21-22)
- d. Their fruit does not reflect their reality. They have embraced error. (1 Cor 5:5, 8)

2. Know ye not? Inheriting the kingdom of God • 1 Corinthians 6:9-11

- a. The kingdom of God is not unrighteousness. (Rom 14:17)
- b. The reminder is not that they are unsaved, but that they ought to "follow after" (Rom 14:19)
 - i. There is none righteous, Jew nor Gentile. (Rom 3:10, 1 Cor 15:50, 2 Cor 5:16, Eph 6:12)
 - ii. For Israel, they would need to be "born again" to see their earthly kingdom. (Jn 3:3)
 - iii. We are a new creature, a member of Christ's own body, placed into God's heavenly kingdom (receiving inheritance). (Col 1:12-13)
 - iv. We receive Christ's righteousness by faith. (Rom 4:24-25)
- c. Unrighteous? Such **were** some of you. (1 Cor 6:11)
 - i. **But** ye are washed. Not water baptism, this is the work of the Holy Spirit. (Titus 3:5)
 - ii. **But** ye are sanctified. Set apart. Christ is made this for us. (1 Cor 1:30)
 - iii. **But** ye are justified. By faith, this is how we are at peace with God. (Titus 3:7, Rom 5:1)

3. "...the name of the Lord Jesus, and by the Spirit of our God."

- a. "And by the Spirit of our God..." The Spirit has done much work. (1 Cor 6:11)
- b. He has made us one with Christ. This is our identity **in Christ**.
 - i. We are baptized into Christ/crucified with Christ. (1 Cor 12:12-13)
 - ii. Christ is in you and you in Christ. (Col 1:27)
 - iii. We are heirs and joint-heirs with Christ because we are in Christ. (Col 1:12 Rom 8:17)
- c. Fornication is to join two things that should be separate. (2 Cor 6:14)
- d. Applying the doctrine of our identity we must recognize God's will for us in our sanctified position is to abstain from fornication. Rather we should remain faithful. (1 Thess 4:3)
 - i. The love of Christ constraineth us. (2 Cor 5:14)
 - ii. Adorn the doctrine. (Titus 2:10)
 - iii. Become addicted to the ministry. (1 Cor 16:15)