

City of Cor.

Old city. Warships built there in 664 BC Trade center of location on narrow isthmus bet Aegean and Adriatic. Small ships handled on track across isthmus 5 mi. to avoid dangerous seas around tip. 40 mi W Athens Senechraea harbor on E. Destroyed 146. Rebuilt by J. Caesar 46 BC 6-700000 in P's day. Many slaves. Games every 1 2 yrs. Citadel on acrocorinthus 1800' above Temple of Aphrodite 1000 prostitutes. To Corinthianize to practice fornication. Taverns and many drinking vessels unearthed. Known for everything sinful.

Founding of ch. Acts 18: ~~5-11~~ 5-17

1. Amid depression (discouragement). From 4 defeats, Phil. Thess. Berea, Athens. Cured by friends, 5; word, 5; Lord 9-11.

2. Amid persecution, 12-17

Cured by careless Gallio. Greeks glad to beat Sosthenes who was later saved.

3. With success. Mostly from lower classes, 1 Cor  
Mostly from wickedness, 1 Gal.

P there 18 mo.

History of ch

P there 18 mo. 2nd miss journey. Wrote letter lost after leaving I 5:9. Ch sent him a letter 7:1 to which 1 Cor is reply. Then P made hurried visit to Cor to help solve prob II 2:1; 12:14. Wrote severe letter, 2:4, lost, to us. Titus took it. Met in Macedonia with good news. From Mac P wrote 2 Cor. One final visit in Acts 20:1-4.

Purposes of letter

1. Joy at ch's favorable response. 1-7.
2. Remind of collection, 8-9.
3. Defend apostolic authority, 10-13.

Important passages in book

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|-------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 1. HS 22 <i>confess</i> | 7. repentance, 10                |
| 2. Victory 14           | 8. giving                        |
| 3. 10 comm, 7           | 9. wherewithal, 8                |
| 4. Satan, 4             | 10. mind, 5                      |
| 5. Inter body, 3        | 11. autobiog, 22ff               |
| judg seat, 10           | 12. 3rd heaven, grace, 9         |
| 6. separatn, 17         | 13. benedictn, 14 <i>Trinity</i> |

Intro, 1:1-11

A. Sal, 1-2. Apostle. See note on Father and Son, 1:2

B. Thanksgiving, 3-11. For God's strength and comfort.

Problem: vv8-9. Perhaps Acts 19.

Reaction: v 3. Not escape, exemption, relief but thanks to God who brings difficulties into life. I 10:13.

Reasons for difficulties. /v.5

1. Learn more of God. If no prob, no comfort. 3-4a.

2. To comfort others, 4b.6,7.

3. Break us, bring us low, 8-10. Despaired of life.

4. So others can pray, 11.

Section One: Explanations, 1:12-2:13

A. Change in Paul's plans, 1:12-2:4

The problem: v 15-6.2 visits. 1 Cor 16 was one plan-one visit. 2 Cor 1<sup>16</sup> Paul B, 2 visits. Changed that one to

The charge, v 17 P like man of world, flesh. /15-22/

P's defense, 18-2:4. 1. I can't be <sup>fickle</sup> devious bec I preach X who is truth, Can't say yes and no, 18. Can ~~say~~ yes or no. God's promises are yes or Amen. Amen fr Heb to establish, so v 21. Est, anoint, seal, earnest.

2. I can and was led by God to change plans, 2:1-4.

Led to spare them 2 visits, 23, to work with them, 24, not to make them sorrow, so wrote the 2nd lost letter, 3-4. Could have justified going 2x but sensed will of God not to do so.

End  
B. Change in Offender's discipline, 2:5-11

Background, 1 Cor 5.

Implications  
Effects of sin. 1. Sorrow to many. Affects others. 5

2. Ch discipline, 6.

Remedy for sin, repentance and sorrow, 7.

Restoration or recovery, 1. Recognize punishment sufficient, 6. 2. Affirm love, 8. 3. Forgive, 10.

4. Be on guard ag Satan, 11. He might turn good (repentance) into evil.

Meeting with Titus. (contd in 7:5). Plenty of opp in Troas but to find out effect of his letter he went to meet Titus in Mac.

Section 2--Ministry, 2:14-6:10

A. Confidence of ministry, 2:14-17

1. X leads us in triumph wherever we go with Him!
2. Preachers are ~~gr~~agrant to God, 15.
3. Message is aroma or death or life depending on reception. God's will done when people are aware to reject intelligently.
4. Motives right, not peddlers, corrupting, addin adulterating, changing gospel. Sincerely, unstained as 1:12.

B. Commendation or Proof of Ministry, 3:1-3 Changed Letters of commend not nec wrong, Acts 17:27 Apo to Cor. But best is changed lives of converts. 1.

C. Covenant for ministry, 3:4-18

Jer 31; Mt 26:28; Heb 8:6n.

letter	Spirit
kills	gives life 6
ministry of death	ministry of Spirit
glorious	more glorious 7
condemnation	righteousness 9
no glory in comparison with surpassing glory,10	
fades away	remains, 11.
boldness	hiddanness, 12-13
hardened	saved 14-16
slavery	liberty,17

v 18 shows progressiveness in life of bel. Also deity of H.S See notes.

D. Character of Ministry, Supernatl, 4:1-6 or7  
dont lose heart, 1 bec supernatl.

A. Exclusions, 2

shame=disgraceful, underhanded ways. Bribery in Xn wk.  
no craftiness (=11:3). Cleverness to counterfeit.  
no adulterating Word. <sup>acceptability</sup> Popularity vs truth.

B. Need for supernatl power, 3-4. Satan blinds.

C. Procedure for, 5-6-7 Preach not selves, but X.  
Miracle happened in P's heart, 6

*7- Then is given in the pot.*

E. Circumstances of Ministry, 4:7-18

1. The Container, 7. Gospel is treasure. Usually put  
beautiful container. In earthenware jar or <sup>clay</sup> pot.

Let light of power of God shine, That demoralizes  
enemy. Judg 7.

2. The Circumstances, 8-12.

Afflicted...=hemmed in on every side but not completely  
restricted.

perplexed...at a loss but not a loss that matters.  
persecuted...persued but not abandoned to <sup>Acts 14:6</sup> enemy.

struck down... as at Lystra, Acts 14:19

X like, 10 a dying life always hounded and always  
expending self as X did. So that Cor might have life,  
v.12.

3. The Confidence, 13-18

Faith (spirit of) to express confidence in goodness  
of God in face of death Ps 116:3. v 13

Hope in future res when death comes, 14

Renewal, 16-18. Don't lose heart bec renewed in  
inner man. How? (1) compare future <sup>reward</sup> with present <sup>suff</sup>

Rom 8:18. (2) give priority to eternal, 18.

F. Compulsions of the Ministry, 5:1-21

1. Hope of res, 1-9

Wht happens to bel at death?

When rec res body?

In meantime, clothed, or sheltered, 3.

Certainty is earnest of HS, 5

Ramification, 6-9. Ambition to please. Rom 15:20; 1Th 4

2. Judgment seat of X, 10-13

When? After rapture

Basis? Works done since sal. Bad=worthless, wood, hay

Result. Reward or loss of.

Ramification, 11-13. 12 P gives Cor reason to boast about him in face of his detractors.

3. Love of X, 14-21

a. Constrains us to live unselfishly for others, 15

b. to keep a changed lifestylte, 17

c. to be ambassadors, 18-21.

G. Conduct of the Ministry, 6:1-10

1. Urge people, 1-2.

2. No unworthy motives, 3.

3. Serving, 4-10

4-general trials. hardships-no <sup>allievatn</sup> mitigation possible  
distresses-frustrations.

5a-special suff. cf 11:23-24 stripes, prison.

tumults-Acts 13:50; 14:19; 16:19; 16:29; 21:30

5b-hardships P inflicted on self. sleepless, 2Th 3:  
hunger, not fastings, 11:27.

6-character. pureness moral and singleness of pur  
-7<sup>a</sup>patience in face of stupidity of others.

7b-10 dia, thru (methods of serving). rtness even  
tho others attacked his reputation (9-unknown-s  
said "we never heard of him"), dying bec of constant  
exposure to death, 1:9.

Section 3--Exhortations, 6:11-7:16

A. Reciprocate P's love, 6:11-14. P had open communication with them and unrestricted love for all. Their refusal to reciprocate restrained them. Always risk in lov that it might be rejected. Love anyway. Refusal to respond made them miserable.

B.

Don't be yoked with ev<sup>il</sup>. 14-18.

yoked=mismatched, 14, with unbel. Bec they rep unrtness, (lawlessness), darkness, Belial (=worthless, <sup>Satan</sup>useless). Deut 22:10-ox and ass tog.

Yoke is something permanent (e.g. marriage) and constraining (i.e. does not permit independent action, e.g. some business partnerships or wrong ch membership). (can't give money where want to).

Unreasonable bec temple of God where He dwells. 16 and family of God 18. So don't bring unbel in.

How? Cleanse 7:1 and perfect=bring to completeness state of maturity.

C. Be assured of P's joy over thier repentance. 7:2-16

How to restore bad situation.

1. Be sure you are right as P was, 2-4. Mt 7:5

(vv 5-7 flashback to 2:12-13).

2. Seek to produce sorrow that leads to change of action, 8-10.

3. Diligent to effect the change, 11-

Ramifications of their repentance.

1. Solution of prob, salvation, 10

2. Showed selves to be pure, 11.

3. Learned lesson, 12.

4. ~~Example to others~~ Affected others, Titus & P, 14, 16.

Section 4 - Solicitation 8-9