

Text for this study: I Corinthians, Chapters Five and Six

Theme for this study: ***“Three Challenging Issues”***

Introduction: The three challenging issues dealt with in this study will make clear, I believe, the appropriateness of our over-all theme: “The Church in the World.” For years and years I heard the statement: “We are to be in the world but not of it.”

- I. CHURCH DISCIPLINE I Cor. 5:1-13
  - A. The sad situation in Corinth and Paul’s reaction to it
  - B. Paul’s strong recommendation
  - C. The Christian Passover and its celebration
  - D. Shunning and expulsion
- II. LAWSUITS BETWEEN BELIEVERS I Cor. 6:1-11
  - A. Again, the sad situation in Corinth
  - B. The “legal” future of the saints
  - C. A simple recommendation
  - D. Trophies of grace
- III. SEXUALITY AND THE MATTER OF MORALITY I Cor. 6:12-20
  - A. A puzzling verse
  - B. The body for the Lord and vice versa
  - C. Out of two physical bodies, one flesh
  - D. Crisp counsel from Paul: flee sexual immorality
  - E. The body as the temple of the Holy Spirit

Conclusion and discussion: