

CONSCIOUS AND INTENTIONAL MINISTRY: MINISTRY TO ME

Now may the God of peace Himself sanctify you completely; and may your whole spirit, soul, and body be preserved blameless at the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ. 1 Thessalonians 5:23

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TEXT: 1 CORINTHIANS 6:12-20

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INTRODUCTION

- A. Christians are called to live disciplined lives
- B. A Christian's disciplined life displays a clear distinction between those who are children of God and those who are not ______

C. Corinth was a very secular city _____

- D. The secular nature of the city influenced the children of God in the church
- E. The children of God in the church had become more secular than sacred

ALLOWABLE VERSUS BENEFICIAL AND BONDAGE

- A. They said, "All things are lawful/allowable for me."
- B. Paul said, "However, all things are not beneficial for you."
- C. They said, "All things are lawful/allowable for me."
- D. Paul said, "However, I will not let anything exercise authority over me."
- E. Please pause for a moment and honestly consider..."

DO YOU NOT KNOW

- A. That your bodies are members of Christ?
 - 1. Member = melos = A limb of the body
 - 2. Shall I then take the members of Christ and make them members of a harlot? Certainly not!
 - 3. Take = $air\bar{o}$ = Take away.
 - 4. What member of Christ am I?

B. Whoever is joined to a prostitute is one body with her?

- 1. What it means to become "one"
- 2. What does it mean to sin against your own body? Consider drunkenness and gluttony
- 3. To whom or what have I become one literally?
- 4. To whom or what have I become one metaphorically?
- C. Your body is the temple of the Holy Spirit who is in you, whom you have from God, and you are not your

own?

- 1. We were bought at a price
- 2. What is that price?
- 3. Therefore, glorify God in your body and in your spirit, which are God's
- 4. Is my body bring glory to God?