

“It’s Time to be Holy”
1 Corinthians 6:12-20

Introduction:

1 Corinthians 6:12-13, “All things are lawful for me,” but not all things are helpful. ‘All things are lawful for me,’ but I will not be dominated by anything. ‘Food is meant for the stomach and the stomach for food’—and God will destroy both one and the other. The body is not meant for sexual immorality, but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body.”

1. Paul is quoting sayings that were common among the Corinthians:

2. “All things are lawful for me”; but the gospel frees me to:

3. “All things are lawful for me”; but the gospel frees me from:

4. “Food is meant for the stomach and the stomach for food”; the gospel reminds me that:

5. “Food is meant for the stomach and the stomach for food”; the gospel does not allow me to:

6. The gospel changes our perspective of how our bodies are to be seen:

1 Corinthians 6:14, “And God raised the Lord and will also raise us up by His power.”

1. Paul does away with the wrong idea that what we do with our bodies doesn’t matter because:

2. Paul points to the physical resurrection of Jesus as proof of:

1 Corinthians 6:15-17, “Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? Shall I then take the members of Christ and make them members of a prostitute? Never! Or do you not know that he who is joined to a prostitute becomes one body with her? For, as it is written,

'The two will become one flesh.' But he who is joined to the Lord becomes one spirit with Him.

1. The doctrine of the believer's union with Christ is:
2. Our union with Christ is not just spiritual:
3. It is wrong to ever think that what we do with our bodies does not:
4. It is through the Holy Spirit that:

1 Corinthians 6:18-20, "Flee from sexual immorality. Every other sin a person commits is outside the body, but the sexually immoral person sins against his own body. 19 Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, whom you have from God? You are not your own, 20 for you were bought with a price. So glorify God in your body."

1. We are to avoid and to keep out of the reach of sexual immorality by:
2. Sexual immorality has special consequences because it interferes with:
3. It is a tremendous privilege and an amazing honor to:
4. It is a privilege and an honor that comes to us at a value that:
5. The only acceptable response to such a gift is:

Conclusion: