

Week 1: Intro to 1 Corinthians, Sectarianism, and wisdom

Title: Introduction to 1 Corinthians, Sectarianism, and spiritual wisdom

Objective:

- Give a brief introduction to 1 Corinthians
- Discuss Sectarianism and how it is a sin
- Discuss spiritual and worldly wisdom
- We are the temple of God

Resources:

- Catena Bible Commentary
- HEMY Bible Study(Includes material)
- Fr Dawoud Lamie's Bible study (Easy Arabic)
- Fr Tadros Y Malaty commentary

Reading:

- General
 - 1 Corinthians 1-4

Key verse(s):

- "Do you not know that you are the temple of God and *that* the Spirit of God dwells in you?" 1 Corinthians 3:16

Comments:

Review questions:

1. Who declared to St. Paul about the division in Corinth?
2. According to St. Paul, why did the Lord Jesus Christ send him?
3. What is St. Paul thankful to God for?

4. Whom did St. Paul baptize?
5. Why does a natural man not receive the things of the Spirit of God?
6. Verse 19 is a quotation from the Old Testament. Can you give the reference?
7. How did God reveal to us the things, which He has prepared for those who love Him?
8. Why does a natural man not receive the things of the Spirit of God?
9. What specific conduct caused St. Paul to conclude that the Corinthians believers were carnal Christians?
10. The Corinthians focused on the preachers. What did St. Paul say they should focus on instead?
11. What will reveal everyone's work?
12. On whose foundation did St. Paul establish the church at Corinth?
13. What is required in stewards?
14. What will the Lord do when He comes?
15. What do the Apostles have to endure?
16. Give verse that shows St. Paul's fatherly love to the Corinthians.

Homework:

1. For Jews request a _____, and Greeks seek after _____.
2. Because the _____ of God is wiser than _____, and the weakness of _____ is _____ than men.
3. For I determined not to know anything among you except _____ and Him _____.
4. "Eye has not seen, nor ear _____, Nor have entered into the _____ of man The things which _____ has prepared for those who _____ Him."
5. I planted, Apollos _____, but _____ gave the _____.
6. Do you not know that you are the _____ of God and that the _____ of God _____ in you?
7. St. Paul told the Corinthians he will send St. Timothy to
 - a) remind you of my ways in the Lord Jesus Christ
 - b) collect the money
 - c) baptize you
8. "The LORD knows the _____ of the _____, that they are _____."

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