Series "Called To Be Saints" "Property Of Jesus Christ" 1 Corinthians 6:12-20 Part-11

1 Corinthians 6:19 and that you are not your own?

Romans 6:12-13 not slaves to sin

REPROOF: THE REPORT OF SIN IN THE CHURCH-1:10-6:20

Thought Of Our Passage: "We Are Not Our Own, We Have Been Bought With A Price So That We Might Glorify Jesus Christ."

1. Verses 12-13 Principles For The Body 2. Verses 13-14 Purpose Of The Body 3. Verses 15-18 Perversion Of The Body 4. Verses 19-20 Possession Of The Body

<u>1. Verses 12-13 Principles For The Body</u>

1 Corinthians 6:12 All things - Paul left off with confronting the Corinthians about the **"Wrong way to be right"**

1 Corinthians 6:11

Covetousness - stems from a false or evil <u>desire for financial pleasure</u>.

Fornication - stems from a false or evil <u>desire for physical pleasure</u>.

Verses 12-13 Paul Gives 4 Principles Regarding The Body:

1. All Things Are Lawful: All things are lawful for me,

All things – *the satisfaction of divinely given physical desires* (all things) within the will of God for every believer.

God has created within the bodies of men and women certain functions and drives which are proper and good.

2. All Things Are Not Expedient: but not all things are (profitable). profitable – Greek word we get "expedition" means "helping us along the way" They will not help us along the path of life! **Paul balanced this teaching:** Notice the word **"but"**. These desires have limitations under which they may be filled.

not all things are profitable. They are not for our good.

3. Slavery Should Be Avoided: All things are lawful for me, but I will not be mastered by anything.

but I will not be mastered by anything. "*I will not be brought under the power of any*" I will not be brought into slavery.

1 Corinthians 6:13

4. Desires Are Only Temporary: Food is for the stomach, and the stomach is for food; but God will do away with both of them.

Food is for the stomach, God created food so it could satisfy the needs of the physical body.

and the stomach is for food; God designed the stomach to use the food for satisfaction and health.

but God will do away with both of them. When a person dies, they no longer need to eat and no longer need a stomach.

2. Verses 13-14 Purpose Of The Body

1 Corinthians 6:13 Yet the body is not for immorality,

"It is never normal to satisfy our physical desires in immoral ways!"

body – (total person with spiritual, mental, emotional, and physical needs)

but for the Lord; - He structured the body to meet the needs and purposes of God Himself ("but for the Lord")

and the Lord is for the body. The body was so made that God could meet the needs of the body

1 Corinthians 10:31

1 Corinthians 6:14 Now God has not only raised the Lord, Great truth of the Resurrection. It was God the Father that raised up Jesus Christ.

but will also raise us up through His power. As we have become partakers with Jesus Christ, we will also share with Jesus Christ. **Romans 6**

The body is extremely important in God's plan of redemption. That identification with Jesus is also physical as it is also spiritual.

3. Verses 15-18 Perversion Of The Body

1 Corinthians 6:15 Do you not know - Paul is shocked by their ignorance over sexual matters.

Verse 15 - Believers Must Recognize Their Union With Christ: that your bodies are members of Christ? That our bodies have a union with Jesus Christ!

1 Corinthians 12:12

Shall I then take away the members of Christ and make them members of a prostitute? May it never be! Never!

1 Thessalonians 4:3-8

1 Corinthians 6:16

Verses 16-17 - Believers Must Avoid Unholy Unions: Or do you not know Again, Paul asked the question about them knowing the facts!

Paul asked **6 times "Do you not know"** because here was a church that prided themselves on the fact that they had all the wisdom.

that the one who joins himself to a prostitute is one body with her? This word **joins** – "*means to glue two pieces into one"*

For He says, "THE TWO SHALL BECOME ONE FLESH." Genesis 2:24

1 Thessalonians 5:23 spirit and soul and body be kept blameless

Spiritual union should govern the physical union:

1 Corinthians 6:17

Ephesians 5:31-32

Verse 18 - Believers Must Flee Sexual Sin: 1 Corinthians 6:18 Flee immorality. Flee - Literally, "make it your habit to flee, run away, fly away, keep on fleeing" (Only Solution)

immorality – Paul uses a word that encompasses all sex outside of the bonds of marriage.

The account of Joseph with Potiphar's wife that he was under great temptation: NLT Genesis 39:10-12

David Did Not Flee: 2 Samuel 11:2-4

Romans 13:14

Every other sin that a man commits is outside the body,

We Hurt Ourselves: but the immoral man sins against his own body.

Samson In Judges 13-16

James 1:8 being a double-minded man, unstable in all his ways.

Share the temple with the wrong one, it is idolatry which puts others before God!

4. Verses 19-20 Possession Of The Body

1 Corinthians 6:19

Verse 19 - Believers Indwelt By God: Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit who is in you,

temple – the inner sanctuary the most holy place where God dwells. Christ's body was also a temple (<u>John 2:19</u>)

and that you are not your own? This temple does not belong to me.

1 Corinthians 6:20

Verse 20 - Believers Bought By God: For you have been bought with a price: Jesus paid the price to redeem us.

bought - "to go to market" 1 Peter 1:18-19

therefore glorify God in your body. Because we do belong to God, we should desire to give God glory in all that we do.

Application:

- 1. Principles For The Body: All things Are Lawful, But Some Things Are Not Profitable. We Are Not To Become Enslaved To Our Desires. Our Body Desires Are Temporal.
- **2. Purposes Of The Body:** Our Bodies Are For The Lord. It Is Never Normal To Satisfy Our Physical Desires In Immoral Ways.
- **3. Perversion Of The Body:** Because The Believer Is Joined To The Lord As In Marriage, The Believer Who Engages In Immorality Is Equivalent To Jesus Committing The Same Act.
- **4. Possession Of The Body:** Since The Believer Belongs To God. There Is Only One Purpose That Should Mark Our Will; That Of Glorifying God: