

0:53 Well greetings, brethren, welcome to another Bible study.

0:56 It's Monday night tonight, and this is the 2nd day of the feast of Unleavened bread, so blessings to all of you for your 2nd day of this very profound observance that we're involved in.

1:10 Tonight, God willing, I would like to cover.

1:13 Chapter 5 of the book of 1 Corinthians.

1:18 I'll open with a word of prayer, and then I'll just, if you can just confirm I'm on the road, if you can just confirm that I am coming through loudly and clearly, and then we will get into tonight's study, and as we always do, we'll go line upon line.

1:35 Our loving heavenly Father, we pause, we come before you, Lord.

1:39 It's.

1:40 It's just beyond understanding that we should be handpicked by you and brought to Jesus Christ, and through Christ have mercy before your throne, and through Christ have access to the Holy Spirit and to the holy scriptures.

1:56 We thank you so much for this, Father, and pray that you'll just help us to deeply and inwardly digest this unleavened bread of sincerity and truth that is in your word.

2:07 And help us father to grow in the grace and the knowledge of our Lord and our Savior, and we just thank you, Lord, that we have access to the the the scriptures, to the apostolic writings, and in particular to the writings of the apostle Paul, and this book, Corinthians that we're studying.

2:25 We pray you'll bless our understanding, Father, help us to, by understanding Corinthians more deeply and the teachings of Paul, that we would understand the entire text more deeply.

2:36 And conform to Jesus Christ more closely.

2:39 Thank you, Lord.

2:40 We ask this blessing in Jesus' name.

2:41 Amen.

2:43 All right, let me check.

2:44 I was surprised to see the number of people who joined us yesterday, even though it was not our regular time, but I know that many people don't check in.

2:55 But let me just check in and see, see who has checked in.

2:59 OK, we see audio and video are good.

3:01 Thank you so much.

3:01 Pastor Murray, greetings rose.

3:04 And Bruce and Christy.

3:07 And Gary Monks, wow, I really appreciate you, brother.

3:10 You're you're, you're it's up late for you, but we really appreciate you and thanks for joining and our brother Nate as well, and all of the others who have not yet signed in or who won't sign in, but who are faithfully with us every week.

3:24 Let's get into the text for today, which is going to be chapter 5, and and remember I said that chapters 1 to 4.

3:35 was dealing with the priority level.

3:37 We got to deal with this.

3:39 And then having dealt with the priority level, we now deal with what is next most important in terms of, you know, egregious nature of sin.

3:48 We're gonna see in chapter chapters 5 and 6, well.

3:53 Quite a few chapters we're going to see Len all over the place, and it's quite remarkable that we've landed on this book and this part of the book at this time, while we're observing unleavened bread and, and making an earnest effort to remove leaven from our lives.

4:08 Let me go ahead and share my screen.

4:10 And let's get into the text for today.

4:17 First Corinthians.

4:20 Chapter 5, and I just want to go back to something that the apostle said in chapter 4, verse 8, you people, you leaders, you're full, you're, you, you figured it all out.

4:31 You're just doing so wonderfully.

4:33 You're amazing, and you're rich, and you're reigning like kings, like you've got this whole thing figured out, and the people are following you, and, you know, you're positioning yourselves is even greater than the apostles, you're reigning as kings without us, and we wish that you did reign.

4:48 So that we might reign with you, cause if you were if you were kings, we would certainly be there with you.

4:53 So remember that discussion we had yesterday.

4:56 And then previously last week we were in chapter 3.

5:00 And remember in chapter 3, he said to them, as much as they think they're just so wonderful, he's saying, guys, guys, I just, I've just given you milk.

5:09 Like I've got meat, but I can't give it to you.

5:13 I've just given you milk, and I'm not giving you any meat because you're not able to bear the meat.

5:19 Up to now, you haven't been able to bear it, and, and even now you can't.

5:23 And and evidence of that is what we just read.

5:27 We gave you milk and you're reigning like kings.

5:29 You're, you're just, you, you've you've lost control, you've gotten drunk.

5:33, what, what's the, the, the teaching in chapter 8 we'll come to it.

5:38 Knowledge puffs up.

5:40 I gave you a little bit of knowledge, and it's you're out of control.

5:43 So I, I can't give you the meat.

5:46 You can't even handle the milk.

5:48 Here it is, verse chapter 8, verse 1, just the, the part, the second part of this verse.

5:53 We know that we all have knowledge, knowledge puffs up.

5:57 Agape edifies, and sometimes we're gonna see agape in chapter 5.

6:04 Sometimes, many times.

6:06 We do not study the word of God properly.

6:10 And so as a result of that, we think agape is this sloppy agape.

6:16 It's just love, love, love, we have to love.

6:19 Oh brother, don't judge, we have to love, we have to love, we have to love, love, love, love, love.

6:25 That's not a gothic.

6:27 That's satanic nonsense, superficial understanding of the Bible.

6:33Agape edifies.

6:35That's how you know it's agape.

6:36Is it edifying?

6:38And and permissiveness, extreme tolerance, this, this doesn't edify, this destroys, and that's what we're gonna see in chapter 5, that fake love destroys.

6:52Proper agape edifies, it builds up.

6:55It might, it might be painful, it might not feel good.

6:58It might feel a bit harsh looking at two people.

7:02One is full of sloppy agape.

7:04One is full of fake love, and the other is just giving the judgment of God.

7:09On the surface, he's so mean, he's horrible.

7:12Oh, I like this one, he's so nice.

7:15And you go with that one, and your whole congregation is destroyed.

7:19Because a little leaven leavens the whole lump.

7:22And the person who is looking towards God's standards.

7:27And it's not playing with sin, not playing with Levin, understands the risk to the whole congregation, the risk to the whole body of playing with Levin.

7:37That's the one that is built, that that's the good shepherd.

7:41And we need to understand that and see that.

7:43So, chapter 5 and verse 1.

7:52It is reported Commonly.

7:57It is reported, commonly, everybody knows.

8:00Your whole congregation knows, and everybody around you knows, news is even coming to me.

8:07I'm in Ephesus.

8:09And use the everybody knows.

8:11It's reported commonly.

8:15That there is pornea, fornication among you.

8:19Now, Could somebody say that about your congregation?

8:24Is there obvious sin in your congregation that is being tolerated, and it's reported commonly?

8:32We're about to see an extreme case of incest here.

8:38And we might feel good to say like, wow, we don't have that.

8:43Well, we might not have that, but do we have adultery?

8:47Do we have fornication?

8:50Do we have young girls showing up pregnant, obviously unmarried.

8:54And we just tolerate all of this.

8:56Do we have pornography addicts?

8:59That that would be the equivalent in today's society.

9:02Are are we watching things and getting addicted to these things and and losing self control to these things?

9:10And, and people know, it's obvious.

9:13And it's reported commonly.

9:18That this is chilling.

9:21 And they become immune to it.
9:23 They're so tolerant, they're so loving, that they don't even realize.
9:27 It's just everybody knows.
9:28 In fact, you know, I went to, excuse me.
9:33 Excuse me.
9:43 This is years ago.
9:45 Well my my wife and I were visiting a congregation in CGI.
9:50 And I was speaking there.
9:53 And while I'm speaking, I'm seeing this young couple in the corner canoodling.
9:59 Which is all over each other.
10:01 And nobody was saying anything.
10:06 Only to find out the reason nobody was saying anything.
10:10 it was the minister's son.
10:13 And so since it was the minister's son, nobody would say anything.
10:17 Well, I said something.
10:18 And it was not well received.
10:21 I was, I was hated on as a result of saying something, but there's no way I could be there speaking about the word of God and seeing this couple clearly fornicators.
10:30 In the midst of the congregation, and nobody, it's it's it's it's understood commonly.
10:34 Everybody knows this is how they behave.
10:37 Well, there is a a burden.
10:39 There's an obligation, there's a duty of care.
10:43 That each and every one of us has within the congregations that God has placed us in.
10:49 God has placed us in the body where it has pleased him.
10:53 And when we see Levin in the congregation.
10:56 In today's society, it's very easy to have the attitude, well, that's none of my business.
11:01 I'll leave it to them.
11:03 Well, no, that is our business.
11:05 We are members of the same body.
11:08 And we have a duty of care.
11:10 We have a responsibility and we're gonna see here the proper approach as advised by Rabbi Paul.
11:17 So he says it's reported commonly.
11:19 Everybody knows that there's fornication among you, and such fornication.
11:25 As is not so much as named among the Gentiles.
11:30 Like this isn't even named among the Gentiles, that one should have his father's wife.
11:37 Now, This is an extraordinary case of incest.
11:43 A man is having his father's wife, his stepmother.
11:46 And the father obviously is still alive.
11:50 Does this mean that there's no such thing as incest, like this in the Gentile world?
11:57 Well, you know, when I was a kid in high school, I studied a book called Oedipus Rex.
12:03 I don't know if anybody knows this story of Oedipus Oedipus Rex, but if you look it up online, this story of Oedipus Rex actually takes place in Corinth.
12:15 So Oedipus, so maybe I'll just tell you quickly the story, Oedipus.

12:21 Let me just tell you quickly the the the story here.

12:24 Oedipus is born, and he has this curse pronounced on him, that he will kill his father and marry his mother.

12:32 And, and when the father hears this curse, he doesn't want it to happen, so he instructs a servant to go and kill Oedipus and basically as soon as he's born.

12:42 The, the servant, decides not to kill him, to do to to give him away to somebody else.

12:48 He's raised in Corinth, and he leaves Corinth.

12:54 Meets a man on the road.

12:56 They get into this squabble, the man wouldn't get out of his way.

13:00 He gets furious, he kills the man.

13:03 Turns out that man was his father.

13:05 So the first part of the prophecy comes to pass.

13:08 Then he runs to this other city, and something happens there, and there's some, some, some trouble there, but he resolves the trouble, and as a reward.

13:18 the the the queen, who is widowed, recently widowed, he gets to marry the queen.

13:24 Unbeknownst to him, this is his mother.

13:27 And so eventually everything comes out and he blinds himself, and I think the mother kills herself, and it was just terrible, tragedy.

13:34 So this was a Greek tragedy, and I wasn't a great student in, in high school.

13:39 I was just very distracted and just, just, I wasn't engaged as a high school student.

13:44 That changed when I started to turn my life around.

13:48 But I, I was fascinated by literature, and maybe God was just developing in me, but at a very early age, this ability to read text carefully, and maybe that those early English classical literature that I was exposed to, maybe that helps shape my mind and my thinking and critical reading.

14:09 But I do remember just being impacted by some of these novels and stories that we, we studied.

14:14 So as I was going to say, Oedipus, then if you, if you just look up the story, it takes place in Corinth.

14:21 He says here, when you look at his birth, yeah, so here, he's, when Leis is born, he consults an oracle to to his fortune, to his oracle, his horror.

14:31 The oracle reveals that Leis, who's gonna be called Oedipus, is doomed to perish by the hand, by the hand of his own son.

14:38 So Leis is the father.

14:40 Leis binds the infant's feet together with a pin, that's why he's called Oedipus, swollen feet, and orders Dacosta to kill him.

14:47 Unable to do so to her own son, Jacosta orders a servant to expose the infant on a mountain top and let him die there.

14:56 The servant, moved by pity, gives the child to a shepherd.

14:59 Who unbinds the infant's ankles and names him Oedipus swollen Foot.

15:04 The shepherd brings the infant to Corinth and presents him to the childless king who who raises him as his own son.

15:11 So all of that to say, this incest was a thing that was known to have to happen in Corinth and in ancient Greece, and so it's not that it's, it's never even just it's impossible for it to happen among the Gentiles.

15:25 What it means is it's not tolerated.

15:27 It's like when Paul says to the Ephesians in chapter 5, he says, flee fornication.

15:35 And he says that the and he lists a number of sins in addition to fornication.

15:39 He says, let these not be once named among you.

15:42 In other words, do not tolerate it.

15:45 So the the the Gentile world would not tolerate this, and Oedipus was a tragedy.

15:51 It was a it was not something they were celebrating.

15:53 It was a curse and it was a tragedy, and it was, you know, a cautionary tale.

15:58 And so, it's not that Gentiles wouldn't participate in all kinds of vile behavior, but this was illegal behavior.

16:05 This is a behavior that would never be tolerated by Gentiles, yet it was being tolerated by the church.

16:12 And my experience, as I said when I visited this congregation and spoke there, and these two young people, they must have been about 15 or 16 years old, clearly intimate with each other.

16:24 And nobody, everybody knew, nobody said anything because it was the minister's son.

16:30 So this is just how human beings can be, respecters of persons.

16:35 And why Christianity is so powerful is we don't respect persons.

16:39 We respect Christ and and and the word of God, and all of our conduct springs from the word of God, and, and we don't respect persons.

16:51 There's nobody powerful enough to force us to go against God's word.

16:56 So he says here that this is not even tolerated by the Gentiles.

17:01 But you are puffed up.

17:04 So this is, you know, this was my go to for the days of unleavened bread.

17:09 This is clearly about Len, and I missed before reading this line up online, I missed the 1st 4 chapters, but here we go.

17:19 Let me just share my screen.

17:27 You're puffed up.

17:29 You, you, you, this is an egregious error.

17:33 But you don't see it.

17:35 Because you're puffed up.

17:37 Now, now that's my go to.

17:38 It's Days of unleavened bread.

17:39 Let's go to 1 Corinthians 5, and I completely missed chapters 1 to 4.

17:45 Now I see that chapters 1 to 4 are all about Levin.

17:50 This is the primary Len that must be dealt with in order to deal with the secondary and tertiary Len.

17:58 We have to, we have to resolve the primary level so that we can deal with the secondary level.

18:02 And this is secondary level.

18:04 As horrible as this is, it's subsequent to what we just read in chapters 1 to 4.

18:10 You're puffed up, and you've not rather mourned.

18:15 That you you've not rather mourned that he that has done this deed might be taken away from among you.

18:23 This requires Torah thinking, Tanak thinking, to understand why should they have mourned.

18:31 Because what is happening?

18:34 This, this level of sin that is reported commonly and tolerated, this is bringing down judgment on this congregation.

18:42 There is a death sentence on this entire congregation, and that's why you can't be in a congregation knowing that there's Levin in the congregation and staying silent.

18:53 Because the consequences, a little 1 leavens the whole lump.

18:58 But what's happening now and what's being tolerated now, is infecting the entire congregation, and they are being swept away without even realizing it.

19:06 And then, you know, let him who thinks he stands take heed lest he fall.

19:11 Once we start tolerating these things and our judgment starts to get skewed, who knows where Satan will take this?

19:17 And certainly who knows how God How much patience God will have.

19:21 Yes, God is patient, but how patient for how long?

19:25 You're puffed up, and you've not rather mourned, that he that has done this deed might be taken away from among you, understanding the dire consequences if he stays with you.

19:38 For I truly, as absent in body, but present in spirit, we're gonna hear Paul say this 3 times in 3 different ways.

19:50 And and he didn't have the internet.

19:52 He, he's when he's gone, he's gone.

19:55 He he's now depending on a courier service to get his communications there and receive communications back, and even as reported commonly, clearly he's receiving letters from several sources and maybe visits as well, and, and this is being reported commonly.

20:12 But he's saying I'm with you.

20:14 I'm not there physically.

20:15 I'm, I'm basically at a distance, but I'm with you.

20:20 So, first time he says, I'm present in spirit.

20:24 And, and, and as I'm there in the congregation with you, I'm a part of the community, I'm with you there.

20:30 I've judged already.

20:32 I've I've heard enough.

20:34 I know exactly, based on God's word, how to judge in the sense, oh, but judge not, judge not.

20:41 And Pastor Murray gave an excellent sermon a few years back with talking about the levels of judgment, that you, we don't, we can't condemn, we can't say write this person off there, they're a write off, they'll be in the lake of fire.

20:54 That's above our pay grade, but we had better judge.

20:58 We had better discern.

21:00 this crino Know how to judge.

21:04 We better judge and understand that we're gonna judge with the same judgment we expect to be judged with, which is the word of God.

21:12 I'm not going to judge in a way where I'm gonna compromise the word of God like King Saul.

21:17 King Saul had to judge.

21:20 But he thought if he treats the king gingerly and tenderly and mercifully, that if he now falls victim, that the the the kings would treat him in a similar way, instead of following the word of God, which Samuel did, and hacked the king and goes Agag to death.

21:37 Because he was following the word of God, and that's what God expects us to do, is judge righteous judgment.

21:43 And so here, Paul is telling the congregation, I'm with you, I'm a part of the community, and I've already judged.

21:52 As though I were present, so he's telling him I'm there with you in spirit, and I'm, I'm judging as as if I'm part of the community.

21:58 I'm there to me it's as if I'm with you in the community, and here's my judgment.

22:03 Concerning him That has done this deed.

22:07 So there's this particular individual, there's a very clear judgment.

22:13 In the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, so he's invoking all the authority of the name of Christ.

22:20 When you are gathered together, And my spirit.

22:24 So again, 3rd time he's saying, I'm with you.

22:27 Don't, don't, don't feel that because I'm distant that I've, you know, turned my back on you.

22:32 I'm there.

22:33 I'm a part of your community, and the next time you come together, you better act.

22:38 be decisive.

22:39 This is urgent.

22:42 When you're gathered together, and my spirit, with the power of our Lord Jesus Christ, this is the power.

22:49 So these, these, Corinthian leaders are reigning like kings, and they have a lot of big talk, and Paul challenges them.

22:57 He says, when I come, I'll test your power.

23:00 The Kingdom of God is is is in the power of Christ.

23:05 It's it's not just in rhetoric.

23:08 So they have very powerful rhetoric, but they don't have the power of the Lord Jesus Christ, and he's saying you need to invoke this.

23:15 You need to use this power to get that man out.

23:19 In the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, the next time you come together, and my spirit's there with you, with the power of the Lord Jesus Christ, get, get rid of this man.

23:28 So notice this what he says to the collagens, same understanding again, he's started many churches.

23:34 And now to the collagens, he says, for though I be absent in the flesh, I'm, I'm not with you, yet I'm with you in the spirit.

23:42 Joying and beholding your order, not like the Corinthians full of disorder, but here the Colossians, beholding your order and the steadfastness of your faith in Christ.

23:52 So he's just saying to the Corinthians.

23:55 And, and basically the, the, the local leaders are out of control.

24:00 Because they think he's got, he's he's checked out.

24:02 Yeah, I haven't checked out.

24:03 I'm there with you, and as a member of the community, we have to deal with this level, the spiritual lives are at stake here.

24:12 He says, when you come together in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, with the power of our Lord Jesus Christ, deliver this one.

24:21 Deliver such a one or such a one, you could say, anybody, I don't care who it is, could be the minister's son.

24:28 I don't care.

24:29 Anybody who qualifies.

24:32 For this level of outrageous rebellion, deliver them to Satan.

24:38 For the destruction of the flesh, that the spirit might be saved in the day of the Lord.

24:43 Some of these translations will translate this for the destruction of his flesh.

24:48 That his spirit may be saved in the day of the Lord.

24:51 The Greek supports the King James, destruction of the flesh, and that the spirit may be saved, and now it's an interpretive issue.

25:02 Is this talking about his flesh?

25:05 Or is it talking about the carnal mindedness of the congregation?

25:10 That you need to make a decision and destroy this carnal-mindedness.

25:14 Put this man out, that the the the spirit of the congregation can be preserved.

25:20 I think it works either way.

25:22 But the point is, be decisive here.

25:25 A little 1 levels the whole lump.

25:26 You are at risk.

25:27 The whole congregation is at risk of failure, although the leaders are feeling quite good about themselves, and that's what comes of permissive leaders.

25:37 That's what comes of leaders who tolerate sin.

25:40 They create a culture of arrogance and a lack of self-awareness.

25:45 You're heading to destruction, and you have no idea.

25:49 We need to be building a culture of proper aware that's what these days of unleavened bread are all about.

25:56 Proper awareness of Len and sin, not just individually but congregationally as well.

26:04 So make this judgment, be swift, be decisive.

26:08 And the other thing that I want to mention here, and I'll talk about it a little bit more in a moment, is the congregation is not passive.

26:18 Paul doesn't expect the congregation to be passive.

26:21 He's calling out the leaders, and now he's summoning the congregation to act.

26:26 He's not saying to the leaders, hey, Mr.

26:29 Minister, put out this man, and then tell the congregation you've put him out.

26:33He's saying, as a community, and I'm part of the community, we have agency, and this is a decision that we have to make together, and I've already judged.

26:43So, so the next time you come together, make this judgment, it's based on the Torah.

26:49So, so I'll come back to that, but this notion that Satan can actually be a tool used by God is definitely supported by scripture.

27:00If we look at Job, when the Lord says to Satan, behold, he's in your hand, but don't take his life.

27:07And then Satan goes all out short of taking Job's life, and God uses that.

27:15God uses that.

27:17To turn Job around, to to to bring Job into a true state of self-awareness and deep repentance.

27:28So, 2 Corinthians chapter 2, this is we will get to the second letter.

27:35But this is Believed to be the same man.

27:39So the result of putting him out.

27:42And delivering him to Satan, and telling him you can't be part of this congregation, taking that fellowship away from him.

27:51And having to go his own way in the world turned him around.

27:57And now in chapter 2, verse 6, sufficient to such a man as this punishment, which was inflicted of many.

28:03You all came together and you stuck to your guns, so that contrary wise, you ought rather to forgive him.

28:10He's repented now, now you forgive him and comfort him, lest perhaps such a one should be swallowed up with overmuch sorrow.

28:18So, he's repented, he's turned around, bring him back, comfort him.

28:23Therefore, I beg you that you would confirm confirm your love toward him.

28:27This is true love.

28:29This is what agape looks like.

28:32It's true edification.

28:33It's not tolerance, it's not permissiveness, it's not fake, and it's not superficial.

28:39It's deep, and sometimes it cuts deep.

28:43But there's an end in mind, and here you can see it was successful.

28:47Now I mentioned earlier.

28:49That Paul is saying to the community, I'm there with you in spirit.

28:54I'm a part of the community, let's judge this matter together, and the community has agency, and we see Christ Himself teaching that the community, the congregation has agency.

29:07And we've got to be careful about building congregations that have no sense of agency.

29:12They have no say in where the congregation is going.

29:16It's just, hey, I'm the minister, I'll tell you what we're doing.

29:18This is what we're doing.

29:19He's out, she's out.

29:21This one can come in.

29:22I don't mind if my son is committing fornication.

29:25It's my son anyway, and this is not how a healthy congregation operates.

29:31And Christ made it clear here, what do you do if there's sin in the congregation?

29:37 In this case, what do you do if there's sin in the congregation and you're affected by it?
29:42 And this is sin in the congregation.
29:45 This is the level of sin that we we're seeing in 1 Corinthians 5 if you're a victim of this sin.
29:51 This is not somebody said something and hurt your feelings.
29:54 And then what we see with Matthew 18 is we try to use it for the most trivial of matters.
30:00 And because we trivialize it, we don't follow through.
30:03 Matthew 18 is a process that once you begin this process, it ends one of two ways.
30:10 It ends with the perpetrator repenting, or the perpetrator being put out.
30:16 There's there's no in between.
30:18 It's one of these two ways, because it's a process and the process must be followed right to the end.
30:25 You can't play at this.
30:26 Start and stop, go halfway and bail, you know, abandon the mission.
30:32 Matthew 18:15.
30:33 Moreover, if your brother shall trespass against you, this is, this is the breaking of the commandments, and you're a victim.
30:43 Go and tell him his fault between you and him alone.
30:47 This, this in fact ties in perfectly with Passover.
30:53 This ties in perfectly.
30:54 In fact, I was so grateful to have gone through the foot washing ceremony, and Pastor Murray gave a little bit of a message on on foot washing, which he's given a sermon on it before, which is well worth listening to again, but he gave us a little message prior to the foot washing ceremony, just get us in the right frame of mind, and this is, this is real Passover power.
31:19 When you are ready to fully Humble yourself, but prepare each other for priestly service, and prepare each other for sacrifice.
31:31 Prepare each other for martyrdom, and to be in that Passover frame of mind.
31:38 And to come out of Passover, and that is the true humility.
31:43 That is the true power, Passover power, when, when, when we are dead to Christ, we, we, we're dead in Christ.
31:51 And and renewed in this eternal life, this eternal spirit that's within us.
31:56 This is the mindset.
31:57 So when we looked at Chapter 4 last week, and we see this contrast.
32:04 Between Paul and the apostles, who are appointed to death, to have a Passover mindset.
32:11 And these leaders who are reigning like kings and and trying to exalt themselves, the exact opposite of satanic mindset.
32:20 This is the mindset we have to have is the Passover mindset, and that's what Christ is saying here.
32:25 If you're gonna follow me and somebody sins against you, you don't take vengeance into your own hands.
32:33 You don't operate from an ego.
32:35 You operate from edification.
32:38 How do you restore this brother?
32:39 So Matthew 18 is not about punishment.

32:42It's about restoration.

32:44But it can't be toyed with.

32:46It can't be toyed with, and in my my almost 4 decades in the church, I really have only seen it toyed with.

32:55We have to follow it.

32:57He says, go and tell him with a Passover frame of mind where this is not about you.

33:02You're willing to sacrifice yourself.

33:05This is now about the brother and the danger that the brother is in.

33:08Go and tell him his fault between you and him alone.

33:12If he shall hear you and acknowledge the Len, you've won.

33:16You've gained your brother.

33:17This is phenomenal.

33:19And again, if you esteem others better than yourselves, then we don't have to get even.

33:25We don't have to prove a point, we don't have to protect our ego.

33:28We just need to know we've restored the brother, snatched him from the fire.

33:33But if you will not hear you, then take with you 1 or 2 more.

33:38That in the mouth of two or three witnesses, every word may be established.

33:44This is chilling.

33:47This is somebody's going to be put to death.

33:52And we have to establish the witnesses.

33:55So, whenever you see this language, 2 or 3 witnesses, it's accompanied with a death sentence.

34:02So we need to just establish, is this person truly unrepentant.

34:08So hopefully, with the presence of 2 or 3 witnesses, they realize just how serious this is.

34:13And again, if we have a reputation of not toying around with God's word.

34:18If members of our congregation know, we take God's word seriously, and we, we're not partial.

34:24We don't care who it is.

34:26Justice is blind.

34:27It's like we're blindfolded when we're hearing the case.

34:30We're we're just blindfolded.

34:31We're not, we're not really looking to see who, who is bringing the case to us.

34:36No, we're blindfolded, and then we're hearing what the matter is, and we're making our judgment.

34:41No partiality.

34:43So we need to establish this, because if he doesn't respond to stage 2, we are definitely going to stage 3.

34:53We're not just gonna peter out and abandon the mission.

34:56It has to end one of two ways.

34:58It ends here with repentance, or it goes now to the next stage, which is the final opportunity for repentance.

35:05And if he shall neglect to hear the witnesses, so the witnesses are not just establishing what's being said, they're also part of this edification and restoration process.

35:16And if he doesn't hear them, Tell it to the church.

35:21 Tell it to the community.

35:23 And there's no way to interpret this other than you tell it to the community.

35:28 The congregation has a say in what what is the outcome, and, and the individual has lost all right to privacy at this point.

35:37 So now we're gonna say, do you know what, well, what's happened is, This man took my wife, my his stepmother.

35:46 And he's, he's gone off with her.

35:49 And we were, we were keeping it quiet.

35:52 But he just would not repent.

35:54 And so now we're bringing it to the church, the same way Paul is saying, the next time you gather, bring this up, discuss it as a community, and make a righteous judgment, according to the Torah.

36:04 And so if you neglect to hear the church, so the church is also trying to say, brother, you're wrong.

36:10 Then that's it.

36:11 The death sentence is carried out.

36:13 We're not gonna physically put him to death, but he's out.

36:16 He's out.

36:17 He has nothing to do with the community now.

36:19 Let him be unto you as a heathen man and a publican.

36:23 So again, I just raised this Matthew 18.

36:26 To say the church, the congregation has agency.

36:31 It's not a passive, no has no say in the matter, sin is right in front of us and we ignore it.

36:38 It's like, hey, I want to talk about this, and, and sure Matthew 18, there's a process.

36:44 Here, 1 Corinthians 5, it's maybe the the the individual is not even in the church, the the the perpetrators in the church, but the, the stepmother and, and perhaps the father, maybe they're, they're not members of the church.

36:56 So nobody's affected directly by the sin.

37:00 But it's reported commonly.

37:05 Everybody knows.

37:07 So, all of that to say, if we are going to have agency in our congregation, we better be knowledgeable about the word of God.

37:17 And not this.

37:19 Well, you can't judge.

37:21 You can't judge and It's nice to be nice, so we're gonna try to be nice here, let everybody be nice.

37:27 That that that just won't fly.

37:30 Study.

37:32 We need to study.

37:33 We need to understand the Bible, understand the will of God and the word of God.

37:36 Study to show yourself, proved unto God.

37:39 A workman, this takes effort, a workman that need not be ashamed, the way the leaders in Corinth were on the road to ruin.

37:48 Rightly dividing The word of truth.

37:51 And then and you know, if these teachers are involved in profane and vain babblings, love is love.

37:58 Gotta be loving and tolerant, shun profane, and vain babblings, because they will tolerate leaven.

38:06 A little leaven leavens the whole lump, and they will increase onto more ungodliness.

38:14 Now, 1 Corinthians 1, so the first four chapters are all about dealing with this level, the major level, so that we can deal with the big 11.

38:27 And deal with it in a united way.

38:29 So I hear this verse quoted often, I'm sure you have as well.

38:32 1 Corinthians 1:10, I'm begging you, brethren, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that you all speak the same thing, and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be perfectly joined together.

38:47 In what?

38:49 In the same mind?

38:51 And in the same judgment.

38:53 That's why I said we have to deal with the big 11 in chapters 1 to 44 chapters of dealing with it.

39:01 And a few verses of dealing with chapter 5, dealing with the incest.

39:08 Maybe 7 verses.

39:11 7 verses for dealing with incest, and 4 chapters.

39:16 For dealing with divided judgment, arrogance, causing division of judgment.

39:22 You, we must be in the same judgment because we have to put this sin to a stop.

39:29 And if we have teachers saying, love is love, love is love, if we have teachers saying, You know, we got to tolerate, we got to be kind.

39:39 I'm a nice guy, aren't I?

39:41 Don't you like me?

39:42 How do you like me now?

39:43 This and other people are saying, no, this is wrong, and there's division.

39:47 This is what this, you know, sometimes I hear this quoted to say, you know, Let's all read the same booklets.

39:56 And say whatever is in the booklet.

39:59 That's not what this is saying.

40:02 This is dealing with the removal of Len.

40:05 And the salvation.

40:07 Of an entire congregation or the destruction.

40:10 Of an entire congregation, and the leaders have to wake up, and the brethren have to wake up, and so he's begging them.

40:18 To speak the same judgment, to pronounce the same judgment, so that there's no division on this.

40:24 Paul says, I'm even there with you.

40:26 I'm in there with you in spirit.

40:27 The community has to come together and have it be in the same mind and in the same judgment.

40:32 That's what this is about.

40:35 We, you can't read the apostle Paul.
40:38 Any writing of Paul, you can't just read a verse and say Paul said this.
40:44 This is, this is danger.
40:45 This is like you can't do that with Paul.
40:48 Paul has this very long chain of thought way of reasoning.
40:53 So anytime you're gonna quote a verse from Paul, you better make sure you have the whole chain of thought.
40:59 Or train of thought.
41:02 The whole sequence of his logic.
41:05 And so yeah, you can, we can go ahead and, oh, let's all speak the same thing.
41:09 And use that for our convenience.
41:12 Or we can read the whole letter and say, oh, this is what Paul is saying, line upon line.
41:18 He says no.
41:20 Because you're not all speaking the same thing.
41:23 And and so clearly not everybody agrees either.
41:26 Because Paul is saying, I'm hearing reports.
41:29 So the people who are giving Paul reports are clearly concerned.
41:33 They're saying these people are out of control.
41:35 So, so not everybody is going along with it, and so there's division.
41:40 You're glorying, and this word glorying.
41:45 Your calcuma.
41:47 Your kalama is just boasting, this pride.
41:51 This this this arrogance, this, this puffed up atness, it's not good.
41:57 It's not good.
41:58 All of your hallelujah praise God and your wonderful worship and you're feeling so spiritual.
42:04 It's evil.
42:06 Let's just call a spade a spade.
42:09 You are heading to destruction, and you're taking the entire congregation with you.
42:14 Your glory is not good.
42:16 You should know this.
42:18 A little leaven leavens the whole lump.
42:23 And the lump is the congregation.
42:25 And tolerating this sin in this in in this particular individual is going to destroy and liven the whole congregation.
42:34 And that's that's what's happening today as well in our society.
42:39 We we live in a very evil, corrupt society.
42:43 And because of that, Levin creeps in.
42:47 Leving creeps in.
42:48 You go to some congregations and you see plunging necklines.
42:52 You go to other congregations, the women are coming to services in in leggings.
42:58 the women are half naked, men are are covetous.
43:03 Some men are dressed inappropriately, speaking inappropriately in inappropriate jokes.

43:09But if this is our entertainment, if this is the people around us, and we bring this into the congregation.

43:16It's hard to maintain standards.

43:19But that's what God calls us to do, to maintain godly standards.

43:24And and we don't even have to be judged by God to be condemned.

43:28We could just resurrect people, Christians in the West, from 50 years ago.

43:36And bring them to one of our congregations.

43:39And say, behold your brethren.

43:41And they would fall down and die.

43:43They'd just been resurrected, they would at least they would pass out at a minimum they would pass out.

43:49Some might even just have a heart attack and just cop out.

43:52And we don't see it.

43:54We're like the Corinthians.

43:56Or we're like that proverbial frog in the boiling water.

44:00It, it started out cool, and then it just started to warm up gradually, and the frog didn't even notice, and this is true, they've done these experiments.

44:06This is true, this this happens.

44:09Frogs will not jump out.

44:10If, if you put them in boiling water, they'll jump out.

44:13But you put them in ke lukewarm tepid water, and then you just increase it slowly, they'll boil to death with no with no fight.

44:21And many of us, many of our congregations are boiling to death with no fight.

44:26You're glorying, your kalama, it's not good.

44:30Don't you realize that a little Len leavens the whole lump.

44:35James 4 uses the same word but it's translated boastings, but now you rejoice in your kalama.

44:43All such rejoicing.

44:45is evil.

44:47So yeah, we can go into congregations, and I'm sorry to have to say this, but this, this is the feast of unleavened bread, and hopefully we will all receive this teaching.

44:59In the spirit of unleavened bread.

45:02These are, these are blessings that we're receiving to, to study this text at this time, where we have this focus on removing leaven.

45:12And, and now we have this understanding that it's not just I have to remove the leaven from my life, we have to understand Levin in the congregation, behaviorally and doctrinally, both.

45:25Get it out especially doctrinally, because that's what leads to behavior it's the teachings of the leaders in Corinth that led to tolerance of Levin.

45:34To the end that the congregation would be destroyed.

45:37So all such rejoicing, your glory isn't good, it's evil.

45:41This kalama of of playacting, playacting worship service, it's evil.

45:48Therefore, to him that knows to do good.

45:51And doesn't do it.

45:54To him it is sin.

45:55And the whole Paul is telling you this is the judgment, be of the same mind and in the same judgment and put this man out.

46:03And anybody who doesn't see this is participating in sin.

46:06So this is where we see them.

46:09The My sort of go to in the past to say, days of uneven bread, let's go to 1 Corinthians 5:7.

46:18Now, what I would say is, let's go to the entire letter.

46:22Of Paul to the Corinthians, because it's all about removing Levin from the congregation, and let's start with the first four chapters, so that we can deal with the rest of the Levin together as a community of agency.

46:35He says, purge out therefore, verse 7, the old Len.

46:39So now that you've come into this understanding, And, and, and I'm there with you in spirit.

46:45Let's act.

46:47Get this man out.

46:49Because this is, this is the way we used to be.

46:51This is a Corinth is a city of great evil.

46:55And God has called you out of this great evil.

46:58Don't bring it with you.

47:00Get rid of all that old behavior.

47:02Purge out therefore, the old Levin, that you may be you being plural, not you an individual.

47:08You're as an individual, you're not a new lump.

47:11The lump is the congregation.

47:14The lump ultimately represents Israel.

47:17The first fruits of Israel.

47:20The congregation needs to be a new lump.

47:23And as we go through these days of unleavened bread, we need to be thinking about our congregation.

47:29And of course, there's order.

47:30Matt Matthew 18 is all about an orderly process.

47:35And and with Corinthians here, we're dealing with an extreme situation that has to be dealt with immediately, posthaste.

47:45But even before we got here, we had 4 chapters.

47:48Of getting on the right page.

47:52In terms of the teachings of the Bible.

47:55So, and Paul even says to the Corinthians in chapter 14, there's no confusion in the churches of God, that God is a God of order, not a god of confusion.

48:06So these things need to be done orderly.

48:07It shouldn't be mayhem in our congregation.

48:09Oh, there's sin everywhere, we need to drop a bomb on the congregation.

48:13No, we need to sit and talk, and that's something that I would hope that's happening in your congregation.

48:18 So I hope that, what you've heard about our congregation in terms of the number of conversations we have, pre-sermon discussion, post sermon discussion, fellowship, extended time, the keeping a vigil together, we, we spent a lot of time talking.

48:34 So there's, I, I, I would be surprised if you could ask somebody in our congregation about what someone else in the congregation might say about a particular topic.

48:44 I think we've talked to each other enough that we understand where each other is coming from, and we understand the differences between us as well.

48:52 But this is something that we should be doing as congregations, spending a lot of time talking, talking through matters, bringing up matters.

49:00 So we have every quarter, we have a town hall, where we have an opportunity to talk about issues, to talk about what we're going to be doing over the next 90 days, what did we do over the last 90.

49:10 But in, in these sort of settings of conversation, of collaboration.

49:15 That we should be making big decisions together.

49:19 And, and this is a big decision that has to be made.

49:21 Paul is saying, I'm with you.

49:23 This is a, this is a communal decision, and I'm right there with you.

49:27 My spirit is there, and here's my judgment.

49:30 Purge out therefore, the old leaven, purge out therefore the old leaven, that you may be a new lump, even as you are unleavened.

49:38 So they've gone through the process or the ritual of being unleavened, and so they need to be unleavened spiritually as well.

49:48 For even Christ our Passover is sacrificed for us.

49:52 Do you understand?

49:54 We're we're on the other side of his sacrifice.

49:57 This this is like, you know, the original, Passover.

50:02 When they put the blood on the doorposts, and and and the destroyer is passing through Egypt, and destroying the first born, and, and passing over.

50:13 so we get up, you know, we come out the next morning and there's death everywhere.

50:18 And we've been passed over, and all of that death is the sort of the end of Egypt, but it's the beginning of Israel.

50:25 This is the beginning of a new life.

50:27 And so we should understand this is the beginning of a new life.

50:30 We can't be going back to Egypt.

50:32 We can't be going back to Corinth.

50:35 We can't be going back to the world, because Christ has been sacrificed for us.

50:39 We're on the other side of the sacrifice and heading towards the kingdom.

50:44 Here we see And when he says purge out, purge out, get rid of it, purge it, be, be thorough.

50:50 And we've been through the experience of de-leaning physically, being thorough, be thorough spiritually.

50:56 Unleavened bread, Exodus 13:7, shall be eaten 7 days.

51:00 So we're not just getting the leaven out, we're putting the unleavened in.

51:04 7 days we'll eat unleavened bread.

51:07 So thank you for joining me on the study tonight, so that we can be getting this unleavened bread in.

51:13 And there shall be no leavened bread be seen with you.

51:18 It did that did not even be named among you even once.

51:23 Shall not be seen with you.

51:24 Neither shall be neither shall there be seen with you in all your quarters.

51:29 Nowhere in any of your territory.

51:31 In any of our congregations should never be mentioned.

51:36 In verse 19 of chapter 12, 7 days, Exodus, 7 days there shall be no 1 found in your houses.

51:44 Listen.

51:45 For whosoever eats that which is leavened?

51:48 Anybody who participates in Levin, even that soul shall be cut off from the congregation of Israel, whether he be a stranger or born in the land.

51:58 This is where Paul is going.

52:00 He says, be in the same mind.

52:03 And in the same judgment, well, how are we gonna do that unless we go back to the root, unless we go back to the foundation, unless we go back to the Torah, and it's very clear, if you if you're involved in Len during the Feast of Unleavened bread, you're out, period.

52:20 There's no no tolerance for this, zero tolerance it's zero tolerance policy.

52:25 And unlive bread then being symbolic of our new life in Christ after the Passover, our new life in Christ.

52:32 So we're on the other side of the Passover.

52:34 Christ, our Passover is sacrificed for us.

52:37 We're on the other side of our Passover.

52:40 We're in the life of unleavened bread.

52:43 And you have this man.

52:45 Committing such level of sin, the Gentiles would be ashamed, and yet it's reported commonly.

52:52 This Torah tells us this soul shall be cut off, and clearly, if it's not to be seen in any of our quarters, the whole congregation is at risk.

53:05 And many times we see that judgment in the Torah, where one man's sin can bring condemnation on the entire congregation, the entire community.

53:15 And we saw that, for example, with the blessing of Levi.

53:18 When they were carrying on with the the Midianite women and committing fornication, and God sent a curse, and I think 30,000 Israelites were were destroyed by the curse, until somebody took that javelin and just dealt with it.

53:33 Hannah and Levi was blessed as a result.

53:37 This is, this is where Paul is coming from.

53:39 I've judged already.

53:40 I'm, I'm immersed in the Torah, and this is very clear how to judge this.

53:44 Oh, but Christ is love, he told me, you better rightly, we better rightly divide the word of truth.

53:51 Love is edification.

53:53 Love is not tolerance.

53:55 Love is edification, sometimes it's painful.
53:58 So Paul says, deliver him to Satan.
54:01 That the flesh will be destroyed and the spirit will be saved.
54:04 In the day of the Lord, back to 1 Corinthians 5.
54:11 So let's deal with this.
54:13 And therefore let us keep the feast.
54:16 Yeah, we keep the feast, but you can't keep it with old Levin.
54:20 This is called hypocrisy.
54:22 We have to remove the leaven, let's keep the feast, not with old Levin.
54:27 So that neither with the level of malice and wickedness, but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.
54:34 So there are levels of understanding here, kind of level one.
54:39 Get rid of the physical Len, keep the feast of unleavened bread, ingesting unleavened bread, 7 days.
54:46 Great.
54:47 The next level is to understand that we can't be having this malice and wickedness.
54:54 As we're keeping the feast, remove the malice and wickedness.
54:58 And then 3rd level is we are replacing that with sincerity and with truth.
55:05 He says here back to chapter 3, verse 3, you're carnal.
55:13 There there's envying and strife and divisions.
55:17 Are you not carnal and Walker man, and you're cured with this.
55:20 This is the old Levin, and you're keeping the feast.
55:23 And when we get to chapter 11, they're they're observing the Passover, and all of this is in the congregation.
55:32 This is old Len.
55:35 Here in Peter, Peter 2:1, Peter is instructing the followers of Christ.
55:43 Along the same lines.
55:45 Wherefore, laying aside all malice and all guile and hypocrisies and envies, and all evil speakings, as newborn babes desire the sincere milk of the word that you may grow thereby, and ultimately be ready for me.
56:01 So Peter's has his ministry, Paul has his ministry.
56:04 They're saying the same thing.
56:07 Back to 1 Corinthians 5:9.
56:10 He's continuing the same judgment now.
56:13 I wrote unto you in an epistle, not to company with fornicators.
56:19 So clearly we don't have all the letters from Paul.
56:22 So there's another letter from Paul to Corinth, and in that letter, He instructs them, do not associate with people given to Pornea.
56:33 Don't associate with them.
56:36 And here you see here in Ephesians 5, this is the first I was speaking to earlier when I was saying that, you know, this is not even named among the Gentiles.
56:44 It's not that it never happens, it's that it's not tolerated.
56:47 It's a punishable crime.
56:49 Here in Ephesians 5 and verse 3, Pornea fornication and all uncleanness or covetousness.

56:55Let it not be once named among you, as becometh saints.

56:59It's not that this will never happen.

57:02It's not that, you know, when we gather for the high days, and we have all these people come together, it's like, there's no pornographer among us.

57:13Nobody among us is committing adultery or fornication, cause we're just so holy, and yet we have these young girls showing up pregnant.

57:21Well, how did that happen then?

57:23We have young men addicted to pornography.

57:25Well, how did that happen then?

57:27So, it's happening.

57:29It's the the state of the human nature.

57:32It's that it must never be tolerated.

57:34It can't be reported commonly.

57:37That's what this is saying.

57:38Let it not be once once once you hear about it, deal with it, as becometh saints.

57:44Neither filthiness nor foolish talking nor jesting, which are inconvenient but rather giving of thanks for this you know that no whoremonger nor unclean person nor covetous man who is an idolater.

58:00Has any inheritance in the kingdom of Christ and of God.

58:03This is this this this should be reported commonly.

58:07This this is what edification is.

58:09This is what True lovers I, we cannot allow this.

58:15If we know God's standards.

58:18We can appear friendly and nice, but we're actually an agent of the devil, if we're allowing these things in our congregation, because God is saying it is zero tolerance.

58:27This is not allowed in the kingdom of God.

58:30Verse 11, have no fellowship, so he's saying this to the Ephesians, it's the same thing he's saying to the Corinthians, and to all the churches.

58:38Have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, rather reprove them.

58:44And when we tolerate, when we know there is this sin and it's right in our faces, and we tolerate it, we're having fellowship.

58:53And fellowship matters.

58:54It's a form of worship.

58:56Fellowship matters.

58:58He says, for it is a shame even to speak of those things which are done of them in secret.

59:05And this instruction to the Ephesians, Paul probably has a very deep understanding of not just the one that he's calling out, that he that he has a report of.

59:15But these leaders These teachers in Corinth, it's most likely a shame even to speak of those things which are done of them in secret, and that's why Paul says, when I come, we'll test your power.

59:27Well, we'll we'll put you under the microscope and see what kind of spiritual power you really have.

59:341 Corinthians 5:10.

59:36So he instructs them not to keep company with fornicators, just.

59:40A little 1 levels the whole lump.

59:43The unclean will, will, will besmirch the clean.

59:50And this is about holiness.

59:52So, but he says here in verse 10, when I told you not to keep company with a fornicator, yet not altogether with the fornicators of this world, or with the covetous or extortioners, or with idolaters, these are horrible sins.

1:00:07That if if brethren are involved in these things, we cannot, we cannot eat with them.

1:00:11We cannot keep company with them.

1:00:14You have to give them a wide berth, or put them out.

1:00:17But he says, I'm not talking about it in the world, for then must you need to go out of the world.

1:00:24So, if I said don't have anything to do with anybody who's involved in these things, you couldn't function in society.

1:00:31This is all around us.

1:00:31It's a world of wickedness.

1:00:33You have to function in the world.

1:00:34Christ says here in John 17:15, we prayed to the Father.

1:00:39Not that you should take them out of the world, but that you should keep them from the evil.

1:00:45We have to operate in the world, we have to Deal with people of different stripes.

1:00:52But they're in the world.

1:00:54They do their thing.

1:00:56Whether it's a a neighbor.

1:00:59A family member A business colleague, a boss.

1:01:04A prime minister or president.

1:01:06We're not expecting them to behave according to godly standards.

1:01:12They're in the world.

1:01:13And so if we hear of their misdeeds, oh well, they're children of Satan.

1:01:17What do we expect?

1:01:19But to have that behavior in the body of Christ, now this is a different matter.

1:01:24And and an appeal to any ministers or elders or deacons that might be listening, we have to protect our congregation from unholiness.

1:01:34And we, we have to Provide leadership and good teaching.

1:01:401 Corinthians 5:11.

1:01:43But now, I have written unto you, not to keep company, if any man that is called a brother be a fornicator.

1:01:53This is different.

1:01:56In the congregation, you can clearly see something is wrong.

1:02:00You can clearly see.

1:02:02Inappropriate behavior.

1:02:05Somebody shows up, they're they're pregnant.

1:02:09Unmarried.

1:02:12This is what Paul is saying.

1:02:14 We have to be of the same mind and of the same judgment or we can't deal with the
Len.

1:02:18 The Len will overtake us.

1:02:21 I what I wrote to you.

1:02:23 It was not to keep company if any man is called a brother, be a fornicator, or a covetous
or an idolater or a railer or a drunkard or an extortioner.

1:02:33 With such a one, know not to eat.

1:02:36 Eating together matters.

1:02:38 And so, you know, one way to clearly see this is do not associate with these people.

1:02:44 The flip side of this is, make sure you're eating with God's people.

1:02:48 Take the time to eat together.

1:02:50 And I can tell you just from our experience, spending time eating together matters.

1:02:56 It matters.

1:02:58 We're not gonna be listening to government that tells us, do not fellowship, forsake the
assembling of yourselves together, sorry, that's not on.

1:03:06 June 12.

1:03:07 These are spots in your feasts in your agape feasts.

1:03:12 So clearly they were having agape feasts.

1:03:14 These are spots in your agape feasts when they feast with you.

1:03:18 Do not associate with them, feeding themselves without fear.

1:03:23 Your glory is not good.

1:03:25 Clouds they are without water, carried about with of winds, trees whose fruit wither,
without fruit twice dead, plucked up by the roots.

1:03:34 It's a serious matter who we eat with, who we fellowship with.

1:03:38 1 Corinthians 5:12.

1:03:40 What am I to do to judge them also that are without?

1:03:45 So that that's the world.

1:03:47 Well, I'm not a judge of the world.

1:03:50 Don't you judge them that are within?

1:03:53 Hello?

1:03:54 Don't you judge them with that within, and we're gonna see, God willing tomorrow, that
they, you shouldn't be going to court.

1:04:02 You you should be able to deal with these matters and make judgments inside the body.

1:04:06 Oh, but you can't judge.

1:04:08 Don't you judge them that are within?

1:04:10 We can't condemn.

1:04:11 That's above our pay grade.

1:04:13 But certainly put that man out, make a judgment.

1:04:15 When you come together, my spirit is with you, put that man out.

1:04:17 Make a judgment.

1:04:20 But be informed by the Torah, be informed by the Tanak.

1:04:24 Make your judgment according to God's word.

1:04:26 Be informed by the apostolic writings.

1:04:28 Be informed by the teachings of Christ.

1:04:31 Put the whole thing together.
1:04:33 Be informed by revelation.
1:04:36 And make good judgment.
1:04:38 Don't you judge them that are within that so the question begs the answer, yes.
1:04:44 That's what we do.
1:04:45 That's what we're expected to do.
1:04:47 But them that are without, that's none of our business.
1:04:52 So judging the congregation and the behavior of the congregation, that's our business.
1:04:58 Judging people in the world.
1:05:00 That's not our business.
1:05:01 God will judge them.
1:05:03 Therefore, put away from among yourselves that wicked person.
1:05:10 This is a very clear judgment.
1:05:12 So, 13 verses.
1:05:15 I think I said 7 earlier, 7 very intensely dealing with it, but really all 13 verses of chapter 5, dealing with this egregious error.
1:05:26 Or these 13 verses dealing with this egregious error.
1:05:30 4 chapters.
1:05:32 Dealing with the real deep level, so that we can deal with this with the same mind and with the same judgment.
1:05:39 Now this Corinth, we said last yesterday that they were like Leadicea, this is Tyattara, notwithstanding, I have a few things against you because you allow that woman Jezebel.
1:05:53 Which calls herself a prophetess, to teach and to seduce my servants to commit fornication.
1:05:59 And to eat things, sacrifice the idols, and God says, I have this against you.
1:06:03 I will destroy you for this.
1:06:06 And we have people amongst us who think they're prophetesses or prophets, and certainly in Corinth, they thought they were very high and wonderful and reigning as kings and should be should be worshiped and followed.
1:06:18 And they were allowing This doctrine that fornication is OK.
1:06:24 So, that is.
1:06:28 The 2nd deck covers the day 2.
1:06:32 Of The feast of unleavened bread.
1:06:36 And we have covered the 1st 5 chapters so far of this letter.
1:06:41 God willing, we'll reconvene again tomorrow.
1:06:44 I hope you'll be able to join us.
1:06:46 We'll reconvene again tomorrow, and tomorrow we'll cover chapter 6 of this incredible letter.
1:06:54 God bless you, brother.
1:06:55 God willing, we'll see you tomorrow.
1:06:57 Jesus Lord.