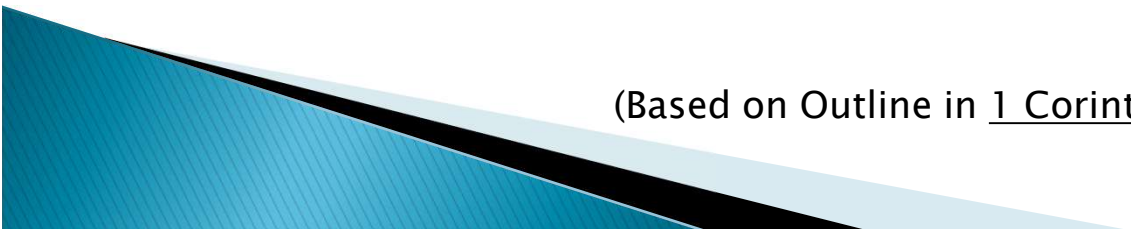


# Outline of 1 Corinthians

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- III. Addressing the problem of factions (1:10–4:21)
- IV. Addressing problems of morality (5:1–6:20)
- V. Answers to questions concerning marriage (7:1–40)
- VI. **The proper use of liberties (8:1–11:1)**
- VII. Addressing problems relating to worship (11:2–14:40)
- VIII. The resurrection (15:1–58)
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- X. Concluding remarks (16:10–24)

(Based on Outline in 1 Corinthians, a Study by Mike Willis, 1996, p.vii)



# Memory Trip

- Chapter 1
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- How were the Israelites baptized into Moses?
  - Vss.1-2, “were under the cloud, all passed through the sea, all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea”
- Tell about the contrast of “all” and “most” in verses 1-4.
  - All the Jews who came out of Egypt were under the cloud, all passed through the sea, all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, all ate the same spiritual food, and all drank the same spiritual drink. But with most of them God was not well pleased.
- What are some of the sins that caused Israelites to fall after they all came out of Egypt?
  - Idolatry, sexual immorality, tempting Christ, complaining
- ▶ According to verse 11, why are these events of the Old Testament written?
  - For our admonition




## 1 Corinthians 10:1–5

“Moreover, brethren, I do not want you to be unaware that all our fathers were under the cloud, all passed through the sea, {2} all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea, {3} all ate the same spiritual food, {4} and all drank the same spiritual drink. For they drank of that spiritual Rock that followed them, and that Rock was Christ. {5} But with most of them God was not well pleased, for their bodies were scattered in the wilderness.”



## 1 Corinthians 10:6–11

“Now these things became our examples, to the intent that we should not lust after evil things as they also lusted. {7} And do not become idolaters as were some of them. As it is written, “The people sat down to eat and drink, and rose up to play.” {8} Nor let us commit sexual immorality, as some of them did, and in one day twenty–three thousand fell; {9} nor let us tempt Christ, as some of them also tempted, and were destroyed by serpents; {10} nor complain, as some of them also complained, and were destroyed by the destroyer. {11} Now all these things happened to them as examples, and they were written for our admonition, upon whom the ends of the ages have come.”




## 1 Corinthians 10:12–13

“Therefore let him who thinks he stands take heed lest he fall. {13} No temptation has overtaken you except such as is common to man; but God is faithful, who will not allow you to be tempted beyond what you are able, but with the temptation will also make the way of escape, that you may be able to bear it.”



## 1 Corinthians 10:14–22

“Therefore, my beloved, flee from idolatry. {15} I speak as to wise men; judge for yourselves what I say. {16} The cup of blessing which we bless, is it not the communion of the blood of Christ? The bread which we break, is it not the communion of the body of Christ? {17} For we, though many, are one bread and one body; for we all partake of that one bread. {18} Observe Israel after the flesh: Are not those who eat of the sacrifices partakers of the altar? {19} What am I saying then? That an idol is anything, or what is offered to idols is anything? {20} Rather, that the things which the Gentiles sacrifice they sacrifice to demons and not to God, and I do not want you to have fellowship with demons. {21} You cannot drink the cup of the Lord and the cup of demons; you cannot partake of the Lord’s table and of the table of demons. {22} Or do we provoke the Lord to jealousy? Are we stronger than He?”



## 1 Corinthians 10:23–24

“All things are lawful for me, but not all things are helpful; all things are lawful for me, but not all things edify. {24} Let no one seek his own, but each one the other’s well-being.”






## 1 Corinthians 10:25–30

“Eat whatever is sold in the meat market, asking no questions for conscience’ sake; {26} for ‘the earth is the Lord’s, and all its fullness.’ {27} If any of those who do not believe invites you to dinner, and you desire to go, eat whatever is set before you, asking no question for conscience’ sake.

{28} But if anyone says to you, “This was offered to idols,” do not eat it for the sake of the one who told you, and for conscience’ sake; for “the earth is the Lord’s, and all its fullness.” {29}

“Conscience,” I say, not your own, but that of the other. For why is my liberty judged by another man’s conscience? {30} But if I partake with thanks, why am I evil spoken of for the food over which I give thanks?”



## 1 Corinthians 10:31–11:1

“Therefore, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do, do all to the glory of God. {32} Give no offense, either to the Jews or to the Greeks or to the church of God, {33} just as I also please all men in all things, not seeking my own profit, but the profit of many, that they may be saved. {11:1} Imitate me, just as I also imitate Christ.”



# Take Aways

- We should be impressed with the contrast between “all” and “but with most of them” in verses 1–5. Beginning the race of a Christian is not enough; we must finish!
- The Old Testament is of great value to Christians because of the examples that are there for our admonition. Therefore, we ought to also read and study the Old Testament.
- If we become proud and feel strong and invincible, we are ripe for a fall.
- When we sin, it is our own fault.
- We cannot be an idolater and at the same time have fellowship with God, and idolatry includes more than sacrificing to an idol or eating its meat in honor of the idol (Colossians 3:5).
- Our purpose on earth is to glorify God.
- Let us desire to forgo any liberty that is a stumbling block to others.

