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The Church of God

1 Corinthians 1:1-3

The church at Corinth. Given what we know of Corinth it is difficult to think of that is the church. Their behavior does not align with their profession of faith in Jesus Christ. Paul addresses those issues throughout the letter. Before he does though, Paul reminds them who they are and the importance of who they are. They are a church.

Additional Verses:

Leviticus 19:2

Malachi 1:11

Romans 10:9

Outline:

1. Ownership- The church belongs to God.

2. Membership- Entrance is through the sanctifying work of Jesus Christ.

3. Fellowship- All sanctified people across all boundaries.

Study Questions:

1. Why is it important to view every issue and aspect of life through the lens of the Gospel? How is right doctrine foundational to right living?

2. What implications result from God owning the church?

3. How does a person become a member of the church? What is the difference between the universal and local church? Why is local church membership important?

4. How are believers currently living in a Jesus is Lord moment?

5. How is the Holy Spirit leading you to respond to God today?