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Common Bonds, part 1

1 Corinthians 16:1-11

1 Corinthians 16 feels disjointed and anticlimactic after the triumphal ending of chapter 15. However, this final chapter connects right theology with right behavior. How should the church live together considering our common bond of salvation in Jesus Christ? The chapter begins with our common bond demonstrated through giving and ministry.

Additional Verses:

Matthew 6:10, 26:39

2 Corinthians 8:8-9, 9:7

Philippians 1:27-28 Ephesians 2:10

James 4:15

Outline:

1. Common bond of giving.

- Regularly
- Universally
- Systematically
- Proportionally
- Voluntarily
- Joyfully

2. Common bond of ministry.

- Submissively
- Pragmatically
- Spiritually

Study Questions:

1. Why is right theology connected with right living?

2. What is Biblical giving? Do any of these areas challenge you to make adjustments in your giving? How can you make those adjustments?

3. Why is our giving connected to the grace we have received through Jesus Christ?

4. Why does ministry need to be disciplined?

5. Why does ministry need to be flexible?

6. Where is God at work around you? How can you join Him? What steps do you need to take to make that happen?

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