



1 Corinthians 5-6:8

What is the issue being addressed in this chapter?

1 Cor 5:1-2

- a guy is committing gross sexual immorality
- bigger issue is how do we deal with others sin

- How do we handle the bad things that people around us are doing?

- *What are ways that you have seen people responding to the wrongs of others?

- ignore it
- yell at that them
- do wrong back to them
- help them back to doing right

How does God want us to respond?

1 Cor 5:9-13

- right and wrong never changes
- even the non-Christian is judged by God
- we need to know what God's standard is and be able to clearly explain that to others

- How we respond to people's behavior changes based on whether they claim to be a Christian

A) We don't judge those who don't claim to be Christians, we leave that judgement to God

- I don't expect nonChristians to act Christians to act like Christians
- this doesn't mean I don't stand up for myself or hold other accountable to the laws of the land
- we're talking more about things were the Bible and culture disagree

- If someone is not a Christian we should not expect them to act like a Christian
- doesn't mean what they are doing isn't wrong and we shouldn't dislike what they are doing
- we can't get angry with them that that is what they are doing

- *this means my aim is not to change their behavior but to point them to Jesus who saves them from God's judgement

- *God doesn't want us to make our friends good moral people, he wants us to introduce them to him and then he will make them better people

B) If they are a Christian, we have a responsibility to hold them accountable
if someone does claim to be a Christian, they have put themselves under God's standard and we have a responsibility to help them live according to that standard

- *don't come at them, come alongside them
- *help each other grow

- sometimes that means calling someone out
- I give permission to call me out
- *getting called out about doing motions at camp

Why's it important that we fight sin?

1 Cor 5:6-8

- leaven is what makes your bread rise
- you only need to put a little in and spreads through all the dough
- *your sin affects others