Message Outline



Why Not Rather be Wronged?

1 Corinthians 6:1-11

I. Introduction

II. Why Not Rather be Wronged?

1 Corinthians 6:1 (CSB)

1 If any of you has a dispute against another, how dare you take it to court before the unrighteous, and not before the saints?

1 Corinthians 6:2-3 (CSB)

2 Or don't you know that the saints will judge the world? And if the world is judged by you, are you unworthy to judge the trivial cases? 3 Don't you know that we will judge angels - how much more matters of this life?

1 Corinthians 6:4-6 (CSB)

4 So if you have such matters, do you appoint as

your judges those who have no standing in the church? [5] I say this to your shame! Can it be that there is not one wise person among you who is able to arbitrate between fellow believers? [6] Instead, brother goes to court against brother, and that before unbelievers!

1 Corinthians 6:7-8 (CSB)

[7] As it is, to have legal disputes against one another is already a defeat for you. Why not rather be wronged? Why not rather be cheated? [8] Instead, you yourselves do wrong and cheat - and you do this to brothers and sisters!

“But I tell you, don’t resist an evildoer. On the contrary, if anyone slaps you on your right cheek, turn the other to him also. As for the one who wants to sue you and take away your shirt, let him have your coat as well … Give to the one who asks you, and don’t turn away from the one who wants to borrow from you.” (Matthew 5:39-42, CSB)

“Do not repay anyone evil for evil. Give careful thought to do what is honorable in everyone’s eyes.” (Romans 12:17, CSB)

“We know that all things work together for the good of those who love God, who are called according to his purpose. For those he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, so that he would be the firstborn among many brothers and sisters. And

those he predestined, he also called; and those he called, he also justified; and those he justified, he also glorified." (Romans 8:28-30, CSB)

"Consider it a great joy, my brothers and sisters, whenever you experience various trials, because you know that the testing of your faith produces endurance. And let endurance have its full effect, so that you may be mature and complete, lacking nothing." (James 1:2-4, CSB)

1 Corinthians 6:9-10 (CSB)

9 Don't you know that the unrighteous will not inherit God's kingdom? Do not be deceived: No sexually immoral people, idolaters, adulterers, or males who have sex with males, 10 no thieves, greedy people, drunkards, verbally abusive people, or swindlers will inherit God's kingdom.

1 Corinthians 6:11 (CSB)

11 And some of you used to be like this. But you were washed, you were sanctified, you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and by the Spirit of our God.

"... Please, let's not have quarreling between you and me … since we are relatives." (Genesis 13:8, CSB)

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