

D6 EveryDay™ Parent Page

Date | **January 2, 2022** Family Theme | **Purity in Christ** Study Text | **1 Corinthians 5:1-13; 6:9-11**

Objective: Family members repent of personal sin and encourage each other to turn away from sin to walk with Christ.

How This Lesson Fits in the Story of the Bible: Like the previous lesson, this one is set around AD 55 during the reign of Nero in Rome. Paul continued to deal with problems in the church at Corinth. This section addressed how the church should respond to those openly practicing sin.

Bible Basics: Review the names and order of books nine through twelve of the New Testament (Galatians, Ephesians; Philippians, and Colossians) this week and work with family members to do so as well.

Read the Word: 1 Corinthians 5:1-13; 6:9-11

Disciple Your Kids

Help your children or grandchildren understand that continuing in sin is very serious. We should encourage each other to confess when we sin and ask God to help us do what is right.



Key Truth: The Church Should Grieve and Lovingly Confront a Believer Who Continues in Unrepentant Sin (1 Corinthians 5:1-13)

Word had gotten to Paul that a member of the church at Corinth was carrying on an incestuous relationship with his stepmother. This did not seem to disturb the Corinthian believers at all. Paul was compelled to act. He ordered the congregation to expel the man from among them and deliver him to Satan. This expression was code for exclusion from the congregation, which would put him into the sphere of the world where Satan and his demons hold influence and sway. The intent of this action was for the man to realize the error of his ways and choose to turn and repent. Paul urged discipline in this situation for the good of the one who was sinning, but also for the good of the church as a body. His command, under apostolic authority granted by Jesus Christ, is that the church is to disassociate with any adult professing believer who continues in unrepentant sin.



Key Truth: Christ Can Cleanse and Deliver Us From Sinful Practices (1 Corinthians 6:9-11)

Paul urged the believers not to deceive themselves into thinking that sinful behaviors (verses 9 and 10) are acceptable for a Christ-follower. He reminded them that this type of behavior (lifestyle) is not consistent with the work of God in one's life. Having listed common sins of the day, Paul reminded them that they, too, used to be characterized by this type of behavior, but that Christ had cleansed them. He had provided not only eternal life, but also a new way of living. Having been reminded of the work that Christ did for them, the Corinthians were now to use their bodies for Christ and His righteousness, instead of for sinful pleasure.

Discussion Starters

Use one or more of the following questions as discussion starters with your kids this week.

- What does it mean for a person to strive to be pure spiritually?
- Why is it important for a church to deal with ongoing sin by a church member?
- How should churches deal with a professing believer who continues to live in sin?
- What does it look like to lovingly withdraw fellowship from a professing believer who continues in sin?
- What is the goal of confronting and withdrawing fellowship from an unrepentant church member?
- Is there any sin you need to confess and turn away from in your own life? What will you do this week in order to do so?
- **For Elementary:** How can one person's sin hurt others?
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Everyday Extras

Follow the dirty footprints! If the dog or the snow boots haven't tracked some dirt inside, you might "plant" some on the sidewalk or in the garage. Have your children follow the dirt to discover its source. When our lives are not pure, we leave tracks behind that show others our dirt. We cannot hide our sins for long. We want to have pure hearts — not just clean shoes! As you clean up the dirty tracks in your home, talk with your children about making choices to keep their hearts, minds, and bodies clean. After all, the Holy Spirit lives in us. We want to reflect His holiness.

Preschool Highlights for SQUARE 1 & ROUND 2

Today your child learned Jesus wanted John to baptize Him. John thought Jesus should baptize him instead, but Jesus insisted on being baptized by John. Immediately afterward, God's Spirit came down and God said He was pleased with Jesus. **I Can Learn About Jesus** so I can follow His example on how to live.