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Corinthians 1

God .is with me and Sosthenes our fellow believer ,write this letter to you ,Paul ,I¹ 1
I send² .chose to send me to represent the Messiah Jesus, because that is what God wanted
the groups of believers belonging to God, which are in the you who are part of to this letter
apart for himself by uniting you to the Messiah Jesus, and you set God has .city of Corinth
part of the group of believers who worship You are .to be his own people you chosen he has
and Lord their Jesus the Messiah is .our Lord Jesus the Messiah in many countries and cities
kind continue to be our Father, and the Lord Jesus the Messiah who is ,God May³ .Lord our
.peaceful make you to you and

God is acting kindly I know how because I do this .I often thank my God about you⁴
When I say that God has acted kindly⁵ .towards you by uniting you to the Messiah Jesus
that he has abundantly blessed you by uniting you to the Messiah in towards you, I mean
God has⁶ .including whatever you say and whatever you know ,of your lives every area
.because he has proved to you that what we told you about the Messiah was true blessed you
during so that you are completely equipped spiritually God has done these things for you⁷
Just as he⁸ .confidently expect our Lord Jesus the Messiah to return this time when you
your true until in the Messiah God will also prove your trust ,proved our message to be true
he will judge you not guilty when our Lord Jesus the ,Because of this .end earthly lives
who has and he is the one ,God always does what he promises⁹ .to earth Messiah returns
.specially chosen you to share everything with his Son, Jesus the Messiah, our Lord

My fellow believers, as one whom our Lord Jesus the Messiah has authorized, I¹⁰
you do not split up I ask that .that all of you agree with one another asking ,appeal to you
into rival groups but that you reconcile with each other by agreeing in what you think and
of Chloe's members because some I appeal to you¹¹ .by agreeing in what you decide to do
that you quarrel They said .have talked to me about you, my fellow believers household
What I am talking about is how many of you are claiming that you¹² .among yourselves
belong to Paul's group, for example, or that you belong to Apollos' group, or that you
No one has split the¹³ .belong to Cephas' group, or that you belong to the Messiah's group
No one crucified Paul in your .so you also should not split into pieces ,Messiah into pieces
that I to God I give thanks¹⁴ .behalf, and no one baptized you so that you belong to Paul
.Crispus and Gaius :two individuals baptized no people who belong to your group except for
no person is able to claim that I baptized you, so that ,I baptized so few of you Because¹⁵

Oh yes, I remember that I also baptized those who live in the¹⁶ .you belong to my group in your house of Stephanas. Other than that, I do not think that I baptized any other people is that the Messiah did not commission me to I baptized so few of you The reason¹⁷ .group without I do this .to proclaim the good news he commissioned me ,Rather .people baptize the power of the That way, I do not destroy .by human standards using words that are wise .the Messiah dying on the cross message about

the death of the because the message that I proclaim about ,I do not use wise words¹⁸ .the cross sounds foolish to people who are bringing destruction on themselves Messiah on You can¹⁹ .However, God works powerfully in this message for us whom he is rescuing ,because the prophet Isaiah wrote ,tell that this is true

,I will render useless the wise things that wise people think“
”.and I will make the intelligent things that intelligent people think worthless

wise people are not really wise, and experts are not really experts, and ,So then²⁰ people who are good at arguing are not really good at it, as they all belong to the current God has shown that what seems to be wise in this current world is ,In fact .world system Just as God wisely chose, unbelievers did .God has done this Here is how²¹ .not wise at all not get to know God by means of their wise thinking. So, God decided to rescue those who On²² .by means of the foolish message that believers proclaim in the Messiah have faith many ,Jewish people want to see powerful deeds. On the other hand many ,the one hand We, however, proclaim that the Messiah died on²³ .Greek people search for wise thinking think non-Jewish people many offensive, and find this message Jewish people Many .a cross Jewish we are We, however, whom God has chosen, whether²⁴ .foolish that this message is this have learned that God works powerfully and wisely through ,people or Greek people because what God does that seems foolish is wiser This is²⁵ .the Messiah message about anything and what God does that seems weak is stronger than ,do humans anything that than .do humans that

,the way you are think about the fact that God chose you ,proof that this is so For²⁶ fellow believers. From a human perspective, most of you did not think wisely, do powerful Rather, God decided to use what seems foolish²⁷ .belong to important families or ,deeds to humans to humble those who think wisely. God decided to use what seems weak to God decided to use what²⁸ .humans to humble those people and things that act powerfully these things do not It is as if .seems unimportant to people and what people look down on to make the things that everyone knows about but God decided to use them ,exist even that no humans would say great things God did these things with the goal²⁹ .insignificant It is God who has united you to the Messiah Jesus. By³⁰ .about themselves in God's sight

working through the Messiah, God has made us wise. He has declared us innocent, chosen because God is the one ,So³¹ .from evil powers us to be his own people, and delivered us :the prophet Jeremiah wrote who does all these things, we should do what

If people want to say great things about something, they should say those great things“ ”.about the Lord

when I visited you and acted according to this pattern My fellow believers, I also¹ 2 told you about what God has now revealed to us. I did not speak in more powerful ways to because I chose I did this² .than others do. I did not argue in wiser ways than others do the only things I understood while I was with you were Jesus the Messiah speak and act as if when I was staying lived according to this pattern I also³ .and how he died on the cross I did not speak⁴ .with you. I was sick, I was afraid, and I frequently shivered and shook and shared my to you when I talked according to human standards wisely and persuasively through me when I Instead, I proved that God’s Spirit works powerfully .with you message in God in order that you might trust I shared my message in this way⁵ .shared my message .to you because he acts powerfully, not because humans spoke wise words

do speak wisely when we are who proclaim the good news we ,what I have said Despite⁶ with spiritually mature people. However, people who think only in human ways and people these people will no longer ,Soon .who rule right now do not think that we speak wisely .the things that God has revealed to us because we proclaim No, we speak wisely⁷ .rule although he had already decided to do them before ,until now God concealed these things The people who⁸ .so that he might honor us He has done all of this .he created anything ,they did not know You can tell that .rule right now did not know about these wise things fits with what how they acted ,Rather⁹ .because they killed our glorious Lord on the cross :the prophet Isaiah wrote

God has ready for the people who love him“
things that no one witnessed before
and things that no one heard about before
”.and things that no human even imagined before

God works by .Spirit power of God’s God has made these things known to us by the¹⁰ because God’s Spirit explores all people and things. He even explores the power of his Spirit You can tell that God’s Spirit¹¹ .things about God that are very difficult to understand because everyone knows that only each human being ,explores everything about God understands everything about himself or herself. In the same way, only God’s Spirit

We did indeed receive the Spirit who comes from¹² .understands everything about God
We received God's Spirit .God. We did not receive a spirit that belongs to the current world

These are the¹³ .in order that we might understand everything that God has done for us
,very things that we also talk about. We do not use words that humans wisely teach. Instead
.we use words that the Spirit teaches, so that we explain spiritual truths with spiritual words

Now, people who do not have God's Spirit reject the things that God's Spirit gives and¹⁴
because they think that they are foolish. They cannot know ,**They reject these things** .teaches
because only people who have God's ,**the things that God's Spirit gives and teaches** about

On the other hand, people who have God's Spirit¹⁵ .Spirit can judge rightly about them
.judge rightly about them **can** person **other** judge rightly about everything. However, no **can**
:**what the scripture says** This fits with¹⁶

.No human knows what the Lord is thinking“

”.No human can teach him about anything

.We, however, can think the same things that the Messiah is thinking

I was unable to teach you in the way I ,**when I visited you** ,My fellow believers¹ **3**
in the way I would **I had to teach you** ,would teach people who have God's Spirit. Rather
because you believed in the **I had to do this** .teach people who think only in human ways
I taught you about things that are simple. I did not teach² .Messiah in an immature way
.because you were not ready for complex teachings **I did this** .about things that are complex
I know that you are not ready for³ .In fact, you are still not ready for complex teachings
because you are still people who think only in human ways. Some of you ,**complex teachings**
are jealous of each other, and some of you are fighting with each other. When you do these
things, it proves that you are people who think only in human ways and who act only in
Further, some of you are claiming that you belong to Paul's group, for⁴ .human ways
example, or that you belong to Apollos's group. When you make claims like these, it proves
.that you are thinking and acting only in human ways

.**the Messiah** You need to realize that Apollos and I, Paul, are just people who serve⁵
,Each of us does what the Lord has assigned us to do. When we told you about the Messiah

me to proclaim the good news to you first. I **God assigned**⁶ .**not in us** ,you trusted in him
Apollos to proclaim even more about the **God assigned** .was like someone who plants seeds
,However .**so that they grow** good news to you. He was like someone who waters the seeds
God himself enabled you to believe in and understand the good news. In the same way, he

You can see that the person who first proclaims⁷ .is the one who makes the plants grow
the good news to people is not important. The person who proclaims even more about the
good news to people is not important. These people are like those who plant the seeds and

those who water the plants, since they too are not important. Instead, it is God who is important, because he enables people to believe in and understand the good news. In the In fact, the person who⁸ .same way, he is important because he causes the plants to grow first proclaims the good news to people and the person who proclaims more about the good news to people have the same goal. They are like the person who plants the seeds and the person who waters the plants, who also have the same goal. God will reward people who do who We⁹ .in a way that is appropriate for what they did He will reward them .either task all work for God, but you belong to God. It is as if you were proclaim the good news Indeed, it is as if you were .in which we planted and watered seeds ,farmland that God owns .a house that God owns

God gave me the skills to wisely proclaim the good news to you first. I am like the¹⁰ such ,construction boss who puts a foundation in the ground before building a house. Others proclaim more about the good news to you. They are like other builders who ,as Apollos construct a house on top of that foundation. In the end, all the people who proclaim more about the good news should make sure that they proclaim it correctly. They should be like No one can put a¹¹ .builders who construct a house the right way on top of a foundation foundation in the ground if another person has already put it in the ground. So also, no one else can first proclaim the good news to you, because I already did that. What I proclaimed

This message about Jesus is like the .accomplished Jesus the Messiah what to you is Builders can use many different building materials when they¹² .foundation of a house ,gold, silver more durable materials like construct a house on its foundation. They can use lumber, grass, and straw. In the same way, some and less durable materials like ,and jewels of those who proclaim more about the good news teach things that are more pleasing to On the day when the Messiah¹³ .God. Others teach things that are less pleasing to God returns to judge everyone, he will reveal what kind of work each person has done. The quality of the materials that builders use to construct a building becomes clear when the building catches on fire. In a similar way, a judgment like fire will occur on the day when the Messiah returns. This judgment will show the quality of what those who proclaim more

Any builders who constructed a building that survives a¹⁴ .about the gospel have taught fire gain honor and money. In the same way, God will honor and reward all those who teach Any¹⁵ .more about the good news in a way that God accepts when he judges everyone ,builders who constructed a building that fire consumes lose respect and money. However the builders do not die in the fire, but they escape from the flames. In the same way, when he judges everyone, God will not honor or reward all those who teach more about the good news in a way that God does not accept. However, God will still accept these teachers .despite the wrong things that they have taught

because God is You need to remember that you are like God's temple in Jerusalem¹⁶
You need to remember that you are like .present among you like he was present in the temple
God will act¹⁷ .because he is always present with you a house in which God's Spirit lives
against any person who acts against his temple. This is because God's temple belongs to
God will act against any person who acts against ,you are like God's temple Since .him alone
.you

Do not believe what is not true about yourselves. You who consider yourselves to be¹⁸
In .according to human standards wise according to human standards should become foolish
because the things that I speak these words¹⁹ .become wise people really this way, you will
You know that this is .humans consider to be wise are things that God considers to be foolish
,because the author of the book of Job wrote true

”.God is the one who disrupts the clever schemes that wise people plan“

,the author of a psalm wrote ,Further²⁰

that these plans and he knows ,The Lord is aware of everything that wise people plan“
”.will not succeed

I say this .humans how you follow other Therefore, none of you should boast about²¹
You²² .so boasting about following other humans is foolish ,because you have everything
you do ,Paul, Apollos, and Peter. You have everything that God made leaders such as have
die. You have everything that you can find comfort when you you live, and not fear when
.exists now and everything that will exist in the future. Indeed, you have everything
.Further, the Messiah has you, and God has the Messiah²³

as those who serve the who proclaim the good news I want people to think of us¹ 4

.Messiah and who are in charge of proclaiming what God has now revealed to us
Whenever a leader puts another person in charge, the leader requires that person to do his²
In the same way, God requires that we who proclaim the good news do .or her tasks faithfully
I do not worry about what you or any other human authority decides³ .our task faithfully
In fact, I do not even worry about what I myself .about whether I have acted faithfully or not
In fact, I do not know about anything I⁴ .about whether I have acted faithfully or not decide
have done wrong. However, what I know about myself does not prove that I have acted
So⁵ .whether I have acted faithfully or not faithfully. Rather, it is the Lord who will decide
to judge then, you should not finally decide about anything until the Lord comes back
He will make clear what is now hidden, and he will show .everyone and everything

who everyone what each person desires and plans. At that time, God will praise each person
.has acted faithfully

My fellow believers, I have talked in this way about myself and Apollos for your⁶
benefit. I want you to learn from our example that you should act only in ways that fit with
what the authors of the Scriptures wrote. Then, nobody will speak great things about one
from every other Nobody has set you apart⁷ .leader and bad things about another leader
In fact, God has given to you every good thing that you have. Since these things .believer
.are gifts from God, you should not say proudly that you yourself earned them

You are .you currently have everything that you need spiritually You are acting as if⁸
You are acting as if .you currently have more spiritual blessings than you need acting as if
who proclaim the good news you have currently begun to rule with Christ, even though we
are not ruling with Christ now. Indeed, I wish that you really were ruling with him, in order
than thinking that we Rather⁹ .could be ruling with you who proclaim the good news that we
I consider us apostles to be those whom God has appointed to suffer ,rule with Christ now
humiliation and to die. We suffer humiliation and die publicly, and everything that God has
be foolish people seem to We¹⁰ .created, including spiritual beings and humans, can see us
you are wise people because God unites you think that because we serve the Messiah, but
you be people who do not have power or influence, but seem to you to the Messiah. We
people praise you, but those people You think that .you do have these things think that
have often not whom Christ has sent we ,as I write this letter to you Even now¹¹ .shame us
had enough food or drink. We wear ragged clothing, and others repeatedly strike us. We
When .to earn a living We do manual labor¹² .constantly travel and do not return to a home
because we people speak badly to us, we say good things about them. When people hurt us
When people say bad things about us, we¹³ .we patiently live through it ,serve the Messiah
say encouraging words to them. From a human perspective, we are worthless, like filthy
as I even now All these things are true about us .garbage that someone should throw away
.write this letter to you

I do not include in my letter what I have just finished saying because I want to make¹⁴
because I want to admonish you, since you are I include these things ,you ashamed. Rather
When I first preached the good news to you, and¹⁵ .like my own children, whom I love
God united you to Jesus the Messiah, I became your spiritual father. So, even if you had a
million teachers who helped you to live in union with the Messiah, I would still be the only
I plead with you to imitate ,I am your spiritual father Because¹⁶ .spiritual father you have
I had Timothy visit you. He is like my own ,I want you to imitate me Because¹⁷ .how I live
as one whom God has united to the serves the Messiah child, and I love him. He faithfully

Lord. He will teach you again about how I behave as one whom God has united to the .to behave in these ways **that I visit** Messiah Jesus. I instruct every church in every place

Some of you are saying great things about yourselves. These people act as if I were¹⁸
me However, I will visit you very soon, as long as the Lord wants¹⁹ .not about to visit you
.I already know what these people who say great things about themselves claim .to do so
I will do this²⁰ .I will learn whether they are actually powerful or not ,**When I visit you**
because God's kingdom functions by God working powerfully through people, not by
When you choose how you will respond to what I am²¹ .people saying great things
When I visit you, I can either .**when I visit** saying, you are also choosing how I will act
because or I can act gently and lovingly ,**because you did not listen** harshly discipline you
.**you did listen**

I have learned that you are in fact allowing people from your group to have¹ **5**
improper sex. Even those who do not worship God do not allow some of the things that you
that a man from your group is having sex with **The worst thing that I have learned is** .allow
you still say great things about yourselves instead of ,**Despite this**² .his stepmother
with the goal of expelling the man who **You should have lamented** .**that sin** lamenting
because I have already declared the man **You should expel him**³ .committed this sexual sin
who did this evil thing to be guilty. Although I am not with you physically, I think about
as if I **Therefore, when I declare this man to be guilty, it is as valid** .you and care about you
When you gather together, and I am thinking of you, we represent our⁴ .were with you
as our Lord **When you gather in this way, you should punish this man** .Lord Jesus the Messiah
You should expel this man so that Satan rules over him. That⁵ .Jesus authorizes you to do
.**will destroy his sinful parts, and then God will save him when the Lord returns**

Saying great things about yourselves is not the right thing to do. Surely you realize⁶
that one person doing evil things is like fermented dough. Even a little fermented dough
makes a whole lump of dough fermented, and even one person doing evil things makes the
during the Passover Just as Jews remove the yeast from their houses⁷ .whole church guilty
so you should remove anyone who does evil things from your group. Then, you ,**festival**
will be free of sin, just like fresh, unleavened dough is free of yeast. In fact, you live in a
the Messiah has died for you, just **This is because** .time that is like the festival of Passover
like the lamb that Jews sacrifice during the Passover festival represents how God delivered
let us act as if we were participating in the ,**the Messiah has died for us** Since⁸ .them
festival of Passover and remove the old leaven. We should get rid of the leaven, which
stands for doing what is evil and wicked. Instead, we should eat unfermented bread, which
.**stands for doing what is honest and trustworthy**

I told you not to keep company with ,that I sent to you before this one In the letter⁹
entirely mean that you should not I did¹⁰ .people who act in sexually improper ways
with unbelieving people who act in sexually immoral ways, or with people who disassociate
want more than they need or who cheat others, or with people who worship false gods. To
That is not .avoid these kinds of people, you would need to get away from the entire world

Now, in this letter, I am telling you not to keep¹¹ .what I have commanded you to do
company with any person whom you call a fellow believer who is acting sinfully. This
,includes having improper sex, wanting more than one needs, worshipping other gods
abusing others with words, getting drunk, and cheating others. Do not have meals with a

I want you to act in this way only with fellow¹² .person who does any of these things
I do not need to decide whether someone who is not part of our you and because ,believers
group is guilty or innocent. Rather, you need to focus on deciding whether people who are
Do not worry about people who are not part of¹³ .part of your group are guilty or innocent
You .God is the one who decides whether they are guilty or innocent your group because
,should focus on people who are part of your group because the scripture says

”!You must get rid of any evil person who is part of your group“

,When someone from your group quarrels with another person from your group¹ 6
.in front of people who do not believe in a public court you should never settle the quarrel
among the people whom God has set apart for you should settle the quarrel in private ,Rather
Surely you know that the people whom God has set apart for himself will decide² .himself
whether all things and people that God has created are guilty or innocent. Since you will
decide whether all these things and people are guilty or innocent, you can surely decide
You need to realize that we will decide whether³ .within your group about small quarrels
we are certainly able to decide about ,Since we will do that .angels are innocent or guilty
Therefore, whenever you quarrel with one another⁴ .disputes related to our current lives
concerning your current lives, you should not choose people who are not part of your group
I include what I have just said in order to⁵ .of believers to decide who is guilty or innocent
make you feel ashamed. Surely there are people in your group who are wise enough to be
But instead, some believers among⁶ .able to decide about disputes among fellow believers
.you accuse other believers in a legal court, and people who do not believe settle the dispute

Because you have disputes with each other, you have already completely failed to⁷
you should instead forgive fellow believers ,than failing in this way follow Jesus. Rather
however, you have harmed ,than forgiving others Rather⁸ .when they harm or defraud you
!these things to fellow believers you have done ,In fact .other people and defrauded

even though you realize that people who harm **I am shocked that you do these things**⁹

others will not participate in God's kingdom. Do not believe anyone who tells you something else. Anyone who has improper sex or who worships other gods or who has sex with a married person or who participates in sexual acts with a person of the same gender or who steals from others¹⁰ or who initiates sexual acts with a person of the same gender or who wants more than he or she needs or who gets drunk or who abuses others with Some of you used to¹¹ .words or who cheats others will not participate in God's kingdom behave in these ways. However, now God has cleansed you, he has made you holy, and he because the Lord Jesus the **You experience these things** .has declared you to be innocent .to give them to you Messiah and the Holy Spirit work powerfully

I say that ,I can do anything and not become guilty.” However“ ,**Some of you say**¹² I can do anything and not“ ,**Again, some of you say** .to anybody some things are not helpful .I will not serve anything that will make me its slave **I say that** ,become guilty.” However Food exists for a person's stomach to digest it, and a person's stomach“ ,**Some of you say**¹³

God will make food and stomachs **I also say that** ,exists to digest food.” Indeed the human body does not ,**While it is true that food exists for a person's stomach** .unimportant exists to serve the **the human body** ,exist for a person to have improper sex with it. Instead In fact, God made the Lord¹⁴ .Lord, and the Lord has worked to save the human body .alive again, and he will work powerfully to make us also alive again

Surely you know that your bodies belong to the Messiah, just as if you were his¹⁵ body parts. Because of that, you should not take your body back and then give it to a prostitute, so that your body belongs to her, just as if you were her body parts. Never do Surely you know that a man who has sex with a prostitute unites himself to her as¹⁶ !that ,because the scripture says **You should know this** .closely as if they shared the same body In a¹⁷ ”.one person like two people, will become **man and the woman, although** The“ **with the** similar way, any people who unite themselves to the Lord become spiritually one .Lord

Intentionally avoid having improper sex. When people sin, they usually do so¹⁸ without directly hurting their bodies. However, when people have improper sex, they do .Surely you know that God has given the Holy Spirit to you¹⁹ .hurt their own bodies Therefore, your bodies are like temples for the Holy Spirit, since he unites himself to you .Because of that, you do not belong to yourselves .like how a god unites himself to his temple it was as ,**Rather, you belong to God, since the Messiah died for you. When he died for you**²⁰ you must honor him whenever ,**you belong to God** if God paid money to buy you. Because .you do anything with your body

Moving on to what you asked me about, in your letter you said that it is¹ 7

On the other hand, people often² .appropriate for people not to have sex with each other desire to have sex, even improper sex. Because of that, a husband should stay married to

Husbands should³ .his own wife, and a wife should stay married to her own husband regularly have sex with their wives. Similarly, wives should regularly have sex with their

,Wives' bodies belong to their husbands, not to themselves. Similarly⁴ .husbands

You should only stop having⁵ .husbands' bodies belong to their wives, not to themselves sex regularly when both of you agree to do so for a brief time. You should only do this when you want to focus on praying to God, and you should soon resume having sex regularly. If you do not do this quickly, Satan will use how you desire to have sex to entice .you to do what is wrong

,Rather .to stop having sex regularly in order to focus on praying I do not command you⁶

and If it were up to me, all people would be like me⁷ .to do so I am only allowing you

However, God gives each person his or her own way to live. Some .remain unmarried .another way live in one way, while other people people live in

Here I am speaking to people who have not married and to women whose husbands⁸

However, some⁹ .like I do unmarried is to stay for these people have died. The best thing people will struggle to control how they desire to have sex. These people should get .married, because that is a better choice than constantly desiring to have sex

Here I am speaking what the Lord himself said to people who have gotten married. I¹⁰

Now whenever they do not stay with their¹¹ .require the wives to stay with their husbands ,husbands, they should not marry again, or they should go back to their husbands. Further .husbands should stay with their wives

the Lord did not speak ,of you who have a spouse who is not a believer Now to the rest¹²

about this, so I am speaking what I myself command. Some fellow believers have unbelieving wives, and the wives may wish to stay with their believing husbands. In this

Similarly, some fellow believers¹³ .situation, the husbands should stay with their wives .have unbelieving husbands, and the husbands may wish to stay with their believing wives

You should remain with an¹⁴ .In this situation, the wives should stay with their husbands

because God considers the unbelieving husband to be an ,unbelieving husband or wife acceptable spouse for the believing wife. Similarly, God considers the unbelieving wife to be an acceptable spouse for the believing husband. Because of this, God treats the children in this situation just like he treats the children of two believing parents. If what I have said

were not true, God would treat the children in this situation just like he treats the children
.of two unbelieving parents

On the other hand, some unbelieving husbands or wives may want to leave their¹⁵
believing spouses. In this situation, the believing spouses should allow them to leave. The

In any .believing spouses do not have to stay with their unbelieving husbands or wives
You should allow¹⁶ .God requires us to be peaceful people situation like this, remember that
because each wife does not know whether she can help her an unbelieving spouse to leave
husband to believe in Jesus. Each husband also does not know whether he can help his wife
.to believe in Jesus

In general, all people need to behave in ways that fit with what the Lord has¹⁷
appointed them to do and with how God requires them to act. I require people to follow this

There are some people whom others¹⁸ .that I visit teaching in every group of believers
circumcised before they believed in Jesus. These people should not try to become
uncircumcised again. There are other people whom others did not circumcise before they
Whether a person¹⁹ .believed in Jesus. These people should not try to become circumcised
,On the other hand .to us or to God has had someone circumcise them or not does not matter
All people should serve God²⁰ .does matter to us and to God doing what God requires of us
.faithfully while doing the normal things they were already doing when God changed them
Some people were slaves when they believed in Jesus. These people should not worry²¹
about being slaves. On the other hand, they should make use of any chance they have to
because the Lord considers all ,Do not worry about your social position²² .become free
people who were slaves when they believed in him to be free people now. Similarly, the
Messiah considers all people who were free people when they believed in him to be his
Because of .it was as if God paid money to buy you ,When Jesus died for you²³ .slaves now
My fellow believers, all people²⁴ .you should not serve other humans, but only God ,that
should serve God faithfully while doing the normal things they were already doing when
.God changed them

I am now moving on to speak about those who have not gotten married. On this²⁵
issue, I do not have anything that the Lord said to tell you. However, I will tell you what I
because God has acted kindly towards me by making me a I do this .think is best

What I suggest is that people should not change how they are²⁶ .teacher trustworthy
Some²⁷ .living. I say this because I know that dangerous things are going to happen soon
people have gotten engaged. They should not separate. Other people have never gotten
However, a single man or woman²⁸ .engaged. They should not try to become engaged
who gets married does not sin. I only advise you against getting married because people
.who get married will experience troubles while they live

The end times are not **.is important** My fellow believers, what I am about to tell you²⁹ far away. Therefore, until then, each man who has a wife should live like a man who does Each person who cries should live like a person who does not cry. Each³⁰ .not have a wife person who is glad should live like a person who is not glad. Each person who acquires Each person who utilizes³¹ .anything should live like a person who does not own anything **You should act in** .worldly things should live like a person who does not utilize these things .because God will soon abolish the worldly way of doing things **these ways**

I want you to care about few things. Single men care about what they can do to³² On the other hand, married men care about worldly things, particularly³³ .serve the Lord :how they can serve their wives. Because of this, they care about two different things Single women and women who have never gotten .**serving their wives and serving the Lord** care about what they can do to serve the Lord. Their goal is to be completely³⁴ married holy. On the other hand, married women care about worldly things, particularly how they I have said these things because I think they are helpful for³⁵ .can serve their husbands you. I do not want to force you into acting in only one way. Rather, I want you to be able to .act honorably and serve the Lord well and attentively

In some cases, an engaged man may consider that he might act in sexually improper³⁶ ways with his fiancée. Further, his fiancée may be fully mature and ready to have sex. In **when he** these cases, here is what to do: the man should marry his fiancé. He does not sin In other cases, an engaged man may³⁷ .and the two of them should get married ,**does this** He can control .**not to marry** have made up his mind, and no person or thing has forced him In this case, he can rightly .**not to marry** what he desires, and he has decided for himself In the end, any man who gets married to his fiancée³⁸ .choose not to marry his fiancée does a better **to his fiancée** does a good thing. Further, any man who does not get married .thing

Wives must stay married to their husbands unless their husbands die. Then, they³⁹ any **I think that** ,However⁴⁰ .may marry any believing man whom they want to marry woman whose husband has died will be more blessed if she does not marry again. While .that is my opinion, I think that God's Spirit speaks through me

I am now moving on to speak about meat that someone has offered to another¹ **8** **what is knowing ,what is true about other gods. However** do know **who believe** god. All of us All² .makes people proud. It is loving others that really helps other believers **true often** people who reckon that they understand something do not yet understand it in the way that

However, God understands and cares for all people who love³ .they should understand it .him

about whether to eat meat that someone has offered to **I will go back to speaking** Now⁴ ,understand that other gods do not really exist. In fact **who believe in God** another god. We It is true that there are many things that⁵ .that the only god is the one God **we understand** ”are in heaven or on earth that people call “gods.” In this way, many “gods” and “lords acknowledge one God, who is the Father. He created **who believe** However, we⁶ .exist everything, and we exist to honor him. We also acknowledge one Lord, who is Jesus the **for** Messiah. He created everything with the Father, and we exist by means of what he does .us

They used to worship .**what I have said** However, some people do not fully understand⁷ other gods in the past, and they incompletely understand what is right and wrong. When Now food does⁸ .they eat meat that someone has offered to another god, they feel guilty **on anything** do not miss out **certain foods** not connect us with God. Those who do not eat .**from God** do not receive something extra **certain foods** Also, those who do eat .**from God** **that food is not** However, you need to be careful about how you live if you know⁹ How you live should not cause someone who incompletely understands what is .**significant** because fellow **You need to be careful**¹⁰ .**to follow Jesus** right and wrong to struggle sitting down to **what is true about other gods** believers might observe a believer who knows in another god’s temple. Those fellow believers, who incompletely understand **meat** eat what is right and wrong, will become confident that they also can eat meat that someone **is true about** As a result, by acting based on what you know¹¹ .has offered to another god you harm others who incompletely understand what is right and wrong. These ,**other gods** When you act in these ways, you¹² .are fellow believers, and the Messiah died for them sin against fellow believers by leading them, who incompletely understand what is right you sin against the Messiah ,**When do you this** .and wrong, to do what they think is wrong Consequently, in cases where what I eat would lead a fellow believer to sin, I will¹³ .too This way, I .**whether someone has offered it to another god or not** ,never ever eat meat again .do not lead any of my fellow believers to sin

Our Lord Jesus sent me to represent .**to eat only certain foods** I am not bound¹ 9

God has united us to the Lord, and I have .**with my own eyes** him, and I have seen him Other people may not think that the Messiah sent² .worked hard for you because of that because you proved that the **You know that** .me to represent him, but you do know that .Messiah sent me when God united you to the Lord

whether the Messiah I will now defend myself against anyone who wants to question³
Barnabas and I certainly can require you to send us food⁴ .to represent him or not me sent
We certainly can travel around with a wife who believes in the Messiah. This⁵ .and drink
is what the others whom the Messiah has sent to represent him do, including Peter and the
who represent the It is not true that Barnabas and I are the only ones⁶ .Lord's brothers
No soldiers ever pay with their own money⁷ .to support ourselves who must work Messiah
to serve in the army. No farmers plant vines and then do not eat what the vines produce. No
.shepherds take care of sheep and then do not drink the milk that they produce

What I am arguing does not depend on merely human thinking. Rather, you can read⁸
:Here is what Moses wrote in the law of Moses⁹ .of Moses what I am arguing in the law
You should not keep an ox from eating the grain when it is helping you separate grain“
Rather, God speaks¹⁰ .however ,from chaff.” God is not primarily interested in oxen
God had Moses write this command for us because any person .in this law mostly about us
who plows a field should expect to receive some of the crop. Any person who separates the
We¹¹ .grain from the wheat stalks should also expect to receive some of the crop
proclaimed the good news to you as if we were planting spiritual seeds. Because of that, it
would be normal for us to receive financial help from you as if we were receiving some of
Other people have received financial¹² .the crop that grew from the seed that we planted
.support from you. Barnabas and I deserve even more to receive it from you

However, we have not asked for any support from you. Rather, we choose to go without
Surely¹³ .things so that we will not keep the good news about the Messiah from spreading
you know that the people who perform their duties in the temple eat some of the food that
people offer in the temple. More specifically, the priests who offer sacrifices on the altar
Similarly, the Lord¹⁴ .receive part of what people bring to them to offer on the altar
instructed that anyone who preaches the good news should make their living from
.the good news preaching

However, I have not asked for any of this support from you. Further, I am not now¹⁵
writing to you to ask for support for myself. I would prefer to die rather than to have
Now I cannot boast about preaching the¹⁶ .someone take away what I can boast about
good news, because God requires me to preach it. Indeed, were I to stop preaching the good
God would reward me if I preached the good news¹⁷ .news, God would discipline me
because I myself chose to. However, I have not chosen to do so, for God himself has told
when I preach the good He does so .God still rewards me, however¹⁸ .me what I need to do
news without requiring people to pay me. I tell people about the good news in this way so
.that I do not misuse what I am able to require because I preach the good news

I do not need to serve any humans. However, I ,**Since I preach the good news for free**¹⁹
 When²⁰ .**believe in the Messiah** choose to serve all humans so that I can help more of them
 I am with Jewish people, I act like a Jewish person. That way, I can help Jewish people
 When I am with people who think they need to obey Moses' law, I .**believe in the Messiah**
 act like someone who thinks that he needs to obey Moses' law. While I myself know that I
 so that I can help the people who think they **I act this way** ,do not need to obey Moses' law
 When I am with people who do not obey²¹ .**believe in the Messiah** need to obey Moses' law
 so that I can **I act this way** .Moses' law, I act like someone who does not obey Moses' law
 Of course, I do obey .**to believe in the Messiah** help the people who do not obey Moses' law
 When I am with people who²² .God's law, since I do what the Messiah commanded
 incompletely understand what is right and wrong, I act like someone who incompletely
 so that I can help the people who **I act this way** .understands what is right and wrong
 ,**As you can see .to believe in the Messiah** incompletely understand what is right and wrong
 when I am with any people, I act like they do so that God might work through all the things
 As you can see, I act in all these ways because I²³ .I do in order to save some of them
 in order that I too will **Further, I do these things** .want people to believe in the good news
 .receive what God has promised in the good news

Surely you know that all the runners participate in a race, but in the end only one²⁴
 runner wins the race and takes the reward for winning. When you serve God, it is much like
 this kind of race. You need to work hard to gain what God has promised to you, just like the
 so All athletes carefully control everything that they do²⁵ .runner runs hard to win the race
 ,They compete for a crown made of leaves that will fall apart. We .**that they can win**
 which ,**control ourselves so that we can receive what God has promised to give us** ,however
 Because of this, I am like a runner who runs straight toward the finish²⁶ .will last forever
 I totally control my²⁷ .line. I am like a boxer who strikes an opponent without missing
 body and make it serve me. I do that because I do not want to proclaim the good news to
 .other people but then find that God does not approve of me

Now I want to remind you, fellow believers, that our Jewish ancestors all¹ **10**
 followed God when he appeared to them in a cloud. They all walked through the Red Sea
 someone baptized all **It was as if**² .when God made a dry path for them through the water
 when they followed the cloud and **This happened** .of them so that they belonged to Moses
 All of them together ate the special food that God gave³ .walked through the Red Sea
 All of them together drank the special water that God gave them. This happened⁴ .them
 when they drank the water that came out of the special rock that God provided and that
 However, most of our⁵ .followed them. That water was something that the Messiah gave

because they died while **You can tell that this is true** .Jewish ancestors did not please God
.they traveled through the desert places

The things that happened to them illustrate how we should act. Through what⁶
happened to them, God warns us to avoid doing what is evil, such as the evil things that
.You should not worship idols, which is what some of our Jewish ancestors did⁷ .they did
because Moses wrote, “The Israelites started eating ,**You can tell that they worshiped idols**
We should not⁸ ”.and drinking and then worshiped other gods in sexually immoral ways
,have improper sex, which is what some of our Jewish ancestors did. Because they did this
We should not challenge the Lord, which is what⁹ .of them died during one day 23,000
You should¹⁰ .some of our Jewish ancestors did. Because they did this, snakes killed them
not complain, which is what some of our Jewish ancestors did. Because they did this, a
.killed them **whom God sent** dangerous spiritual being

,In fact .**how we should act** Those things that our ancestors experienced illustrate¹¹
someone wrote down what happened to them so that we can learn from them, since we are
As those stories illustrate, any people who¹² .the ones who are experiencing the last days
to follow should make sure that they do not fail **in the Messiah** think that they firmly believe
Other people have experienced the things that tempt you. Further, God will¹³ .**the Messiah**
.act faithfully. He will not let you experience anything that tempts you if you cannot resist it
.Rather, when something tempts you, he will give you what you need to faithfully resist it

fellow believers whom I love, intentionally avoid ,**of that I have said** Because¹⁴
I am talking this way because I think that you are reasonable¹⁵ .worshiping other gods
.people. You should decide for yourselves whether what I am about to say is right or wrong
When we drink the wine that we bless in the Lord’s Supper, we together connect¹⁶
ourselves with the Messiah’s blood. When we eat the bread, we together connect ourselves
and we all ,**in the Lord’s Supper** We use one loaf of bread¹⁷ .with the Messiah’s body
together eat pieces of that one loaf. Because we do this, we join ourselves together like we
.all make up one body

Take the people of Israel as an example. The people who offered something would¹⁸
,eat some of what they offered. This means that they connected themselves with the altar
,I am arguing¹⁹ .**where the priest would present the rest of what they offered to God**
therefore, that meat that someone has offered to another god and other gods themselves are
that when those who do not **you should know** ,However²⁰ .not powerful or important
worship God offer sacrifices, they are offering them to evil spiritual beings, not to God. I
You cannot drink²¹ .want you to avoid connecting yourselves with evil spiritual beings
wine that belongs to the Lord and also wine that belongs to evil spiritual beings. You cannot

.eat food that belongs to the Lord and also food that belongs to evil spiritual beings
.Those who do both of those things should expect the Lord to act jealously against them²²
.Further, we are certainly less powerful than he is

I say that ,I can do anything and not become guilty.” However“ ,Some of you say²³
I can do anything and not“ ,Again, some of you say .to anybody some things are not helpful
Do not work²⁴ .some things do not help you grow I say that ,become guilty.” However
what is best **you should work hard to gain** ,hard to gain what is best for yourselves. Rather
You can eat any food that you buy in the public marketplace. You do²⁵ .for other people
to eat so that you know whether it is right or wrong **where it came from** not need to find out
The earth and everything connected with it“ ,David wrote because **You can do this**²⁶ .it
to eat with At some point, people who do not believe may ask you²⁷ ”.belongs to the Lord
When this happens, you can eat all the food that they .do so and you may decide to ,them
so that you know whether it is **where it came from** serve you. You do not need to find out
However, someone might tell you that a person offered the food)²⁸ .to eat it right or wrong
to benefit **You should act in this way** .to a god. In this situation, you should not eat the food
.and because of knowing what is right and wrong **about the food** the person who told you
By “knowing what is right and wrong,” I mean what the other person knows, not what²⁹
you know.) In general, what another person thinks is right or wrong should not keep me
 ,As long as I am grateful to God when I eat any food³⁰ .from doing what I am able to do
.no one should speak badly about me because of something for which I thanked God

To summarize, whenever you eat or drink anything, and indeed whenever you do³¹
Do not behave³² .anything, you should always behave so that you and others honor God
in ways that discourage Jewish people, non-Jewish people, or fellow believers from trusting
with how I live. I always act in ways that **how to do this** I illustrate³³ .the Messiah
I ,everyone around me accepts. I do not work hard to gain what is best for myself. Rather
.in order that God will save them **I do this** .for other people **work hard to gain what is best**

.Do what I do, just like I do what Christ did¹ 11

I commend you because you always think of what I teach and do and because you²
I am telling you that each³ .carefully believe and do what I taught you to believe and do
man comes from the Messiah. A wife comes from her husband. Finally, the Messiah comes
.Men might cover their heads when they pray or proclaim what God says⁴ .from God
Now women might⁵ .the Messiah :Those who do this shame the person they come from
bare their heads when they pray or proclaim what God says. Those who do this shame the
because a woman who ,**You can tell that this is true** .their husbands :people they come from

In fact, someone⁶ .bares her head is like a woman whose hair someone has shaved off should cut short the hair of any woman who bares her head. Since people shame a woman Further, on the one hand, men⁷ .who has short hair, women should not bare their heads ,should not cover their heads, because they represent and honor God. On the other hand because God did not make the **You can tell that this is true**⁸ .wives honor their husbands .man Adam from the woman Eve. Rather, he made the woman Eve from the man Adam because God did not make the man Adam **way that you can tell that this is true is** Another⁹ for the sake of the woman Eve. Rather, he made the woman Eve for the sake of the man on **what they wear** women should control ,**wives honor their husbands** Because¹⁰ .Adam .because of the powerful spiritual beings **They should do this also** .their heads

Despite all that, when God unites people to the Messiah, women cannot exist¹¹ did **Eve** In fact, while the woman¹² .without men, and men cannot exist without women ,men only exist because women give birth to them. However ,**Adam** come from the man You yourselves¹³ .comes from God ,**including men and women** ,everything that exists should decide whether women who pray to God without covering their heads act You can learn from observing the way things are that it is¹⁴ .appropriately or not **you can also learn from observing the** ,However¹⁵ .dishonorable for men to have long hair because God has **This is** .that it is honorable for women to have long hair **way things are** Now if any people¹⁶ .**their heads** given women their long hair, which functions to cover consider arguing about what I have said, neither we nor God's churches allow women to .**when they pray or prophesy** uncover their heads

I am now going to instruct you about another topic, and I cannot commend you in¹⁷ because you harm fellow believers instead of helping them ,**I cannot commend you** .this area Here is the first thing I will speak about: some¹⁸ .when you gather as fellow believers people have told me that you split up into rival groups when you gather as fellow believers because there need to be **I believe it**¹⁹ .to worship God. I believe that this is partly true whom in your **to everyone** disagreements in your group. That way, it may become clear Because of these divisions, you are not²⁰ .**to him** group God considers to be acceptable .**to eat** actually eating the Lord's Supper when you gather as fellow believers together In .**others receive some** During your meals, some people are eating their own food before²¹ .this way, some people do not have enough to eat, while other people are getting drunk You act in these ways despite the fact that you can eat food and drink wine in your own²² houses. Instead, though, you think contemptuously about God's church. In particular, you shame people who have less than you do. You should already know what I will say to you. I !am not going to commend you for doing these things. I will definitely not do that

I have already told you what I learned from the Lord about the night when Judas²³
 During that night, Jesus .to the authorities, who executed him handed the Lord Jesus over
 and then he tore it into ,for the loaf of bread He thanked God²⁴ .picked up a loaf of bread
 is my body, which I am bread Then he said, “This .so that the disciples could eat it pieces
 how I am offering offering for your sake. Repeat what I have done so that you remember
 of wine he also picked up the cup ,he picked up the loaf of bread Just as²⁵ ”.for you myself
 that I am inaugurating is the new covenant of wine after they had eaten. He said, “This cup
 with my blood. Repeat what I have done whenever you drink from this cup of wine so that
 This means that, until the Lord comes²⁶ ”.for you myself how I am offering you remember
 wine eating this bread and drinking you participate in the Lord’s Supper by back, whenever
 .this cup, you announce that the Lord has died from

So then, some people, while participating in the Lord’s Supper, might eat the bread²⁷
 God will hold them .the Messiah the cup in a way that dishonors wine from or drink
 ,To avoid that²⁸ .the Lord’s body and blood how they have acted against responsible for
 believers should carefully consider how they are behaving. Then, they can eat the bread and
 because ,You should carefully consider how you are behaving²⁹ .from the cup wine drink
 that God has but do not recognize during the Lord’s Supper some people eat and drink
 the Lord’s body. How those united fellow believers to the Lord as closely as if they were
 .will result in God punishing them during the Lord’s Supper people eat and drink
 many of them have gotten ,people in your group have acted in that improper way Because³⁰
 So, we believers really should carefully consider how³¹ .sick and some of them have died
 .Then, God will not punish us .before we participate in the Lord’s Supper we are acting
 However, when the Lord does punish us, he does it to train us. That way, God does not³²
 .include us when he declares everyone who does not believe in the Messiah to be guilty

the Lord’s In conclusion, my fellow believers, when you gather together to eat³³
 Any³⁴ .you should not start eating until everyone has received food and drink ,Supper
 that they start eating before everyone has received food and drink hungry so people who are
 ,should eat at their own houses. That way, when you gather together as fellow believers
 .God will not punish you

I have not said everything that I need to say. So, I will instruct you about those things
 .whenever I visit you

I am now moving on to speak about how God’s Spirit specially empowers¹ 12
 You remember² .believers. I want to inform you, my fellow believers, about these things
 when you were not believers. You worshiped other gods. These other gods what you did

to worship these **wrong things people told you to do** cannot even speak, but you did whatever
So then, I am informing you that a person who curses Jesus does not speak³ .other gods
with the power of God's Spirit. On the other hand, a person who says that Jesus is Lord
.must be speaking with the power of the Holy Spirit

.The Spirit empowers people in many different ways, but there is only one Spirit⁴
People work⁶ .People serve the Lord in many different ways, but there is only one Lord⁵
for God in many different ways, but there is only one God. He is the one who empowers all
.people to function in all these ways

Each believer receives from God specific ways in which God's Spirit works through⁷
For example, God's Spirit empowers some believers to⁸ .them to help fellow believers
speak wisely. Other believers can speak knowledgeably, and the same Spirit empowers
.The same Spirit empowers some believers to trust God in special ways⁹ .them to do this

Other believers can do¹⁰ .The same Spirit empowers other believers to heal others
powerful things. Other believers can speak messages from God. Other believers can decide
whether something comes from God's Spirit or not. Some believers can speak unknown
The same Spirit¹¹ .languages. Other believers can interpret those unknown languages
works to empower believers to do all these things. There is just one Holy Spirit, and he
.decides how to work specifically through each believer

a person's body to be a unity, but the body has many body parts. So, all **We consider**¹²
We can think .those body parts, no matter how many there are, together make up one body
we **God has united us together as closely as if** ,Now¹³ .the Messiah in a similar way **about**
people baptized us, with the result that we have the **This happened when** .made up one body
even though some of us are Jewish people and others **We make up this one body** .one Spirit
.are non-Jewish people, and even though some of us are slaves and others are free people
.Further, we all shared in this one Spirit just like we all shared a drink from one cup

As you know, one body part does not make up a body. Rather, it takes many body¹⁴
said that, since it **could talk to you, and it** Imagine that your foot¹⁵ .**to make up a body** parts
was not a hand, it could not belong to your body. That reason does not keep it from
,said that **could talk to you, and it** Again, imagine that your ear¹⁶ .belonging to your body
since it was not an eye, it could not belong to your body. That reason does not keep it from
Imagine that only eyes made up your body. You would not be¹⁷ .belonging to your body
able to hear anything! Imagine that only ears made up your body. You would not be able to
God decided how each body :**about the body** But here is what is true¹⁸ !smell anything
.part should function, and he connected each body part to the body for a specific reason
body part. You would not really **kind of** were the same **your body parts** Imagine that all¹⁹

body parts **different** many :**about the body** But here is what is true²⁰ !have a body at all
 Imagine again that your body parts²¹ .one body **together they make up** ,exist. However
 could talk. An eye would never tell a hand, “I do not need you.” Similarly, a head would
 Rather, what is true is that the body parts that we²² ”.never tell feet, “I do not need you
 Further, we more highly value²³ .consider to be the delicate ones are actually necessary
 the body parts that we think of as less valuable. We treat our indecent body parts more
 but we do not treat our decent body parts in any special way. In the end, God²⁴ ,decently
 is the one who put all the body parts together into one body, and he makes the less valuable
 in order that the body would not split up into different **God did this**²⁵ .parts more valuable
 parts. Instead, the body parts work together and do not privilege one body part over other
 So, all the body parts hurt when one body part is hurting. All the body parts²⁶ .body parts
 .celebrate when somebody praises one body part

a body **like** the Messiah’s body. Each of you is **like** you all are **I say all this because**²⁷
 In line with that, God has specially empowered the people who²⁸ .**in that body part**
 .worship him. First, some people are those whom God has sent to represent the Messiah
 .Second, some people proclaim what God says. Third, some people teach other believers
 Further, some people do powerful things. Others can heal others, help other believers, guide
 Only some believers are those²⁹ .the group of believers, or speak unknown languages
 whom God has sent to represent the Messiah. Only some proclaim what God says. Only
 Only some heal others. Only³⁰ .some teach other believers. Only some do powerful things
 Now I³¹ .**those unknown languages** some speak unknown languages. Only some interpret
 want you to eagerly seek the most beneficial gifts. Next, I will tell you about the very best
 .thing you can do

Imagine that I could speak many human and angelic languages, but I did not¹ **13**
but I would ,like a loud metal instrument ,**able to make much noise** love others. I would be
 Again, imagine that I could proclaim what God says, that I could² .**not be helping anyone**
 comprehend and know everything, and that I believed so much that I could make
 ,mountains change places. But imagine further that I did not love others. Because of that
to people who Yet again, imagine that I gifted everything I owned³ .nothing else matters
 and that I did not protect my own body, with the result that people would ,**needed food**
 none ,**Because I did not love others** .honor me. But imagine further that I did not love others
 .of those things that I did help me at all

Those who love others wait patiently and act graciously. They do not wish that others⁴
 would lose the good things that they have. They do not say great things about themselves or

They do not do shameful things. They do not care only about⁵ .act like they are great themselves. They do not quickly become angry. They do not keep track of what others have
They do not celebrate when people do bad things. Instead, they celebrate⁶ .done wrong
that God will do what is They always believe .others They always put up with⁷ .what is true
They always .that God will do what he has promised and they are always confident ,best
.when bad things happen persevere

Those who love others never cease doing so. However, someday people will no⁸
.longer proclaim what God says. Someday, people will stop speaking unknown languages
,These things will no longer happen⁹ .Someday, people will no longer know special things
because we know special things incompletely, and we proclaim what God says
what is ,when Jesus comes back So, when we experience what is complete¹⁰ .incompletely
when we were young, we talked as :Here is an analogy¹¹ .incomplete will no longer matter
.children talk. We thought as children think. We made decisions as children make decisions
God Right now, we see¹² .But when we grew up, we stopped acting as children do
we will see ,however ,Jesus comes back indirectly, as if we saw a reflection in a mirror. When
,however ,Jesus comes back incompletely. When God in person. Right now, we know God
In the end, there are three things that¹³ .we will know God just as much as he knows us
God to do confidently expect ,in the Messiah we will always keep doing. We will believe
is the God and others However, loving .God and other people and love ,what he has promised
.most important out of these three things

You should seek to love others always. Also, you should eagerly seek that the¹ 14
Holy Spirit specially empowers you, particularly that you might be able to proclaim what
because people who talk in unknown languages are You should desire this² .God says
because no one knows what they are This is .talking with God, not with other people
On the other³ .saying. Rather, they say secret things as the Holy Spirit empowers them
hand, those who proclaim what God says do talk to other people. They help other believers
.become stronger, urge other believers to act in proper ways, and comfort other believers
People who talk in unknown languages help themselves become stronger. On the other⁴
.hand, people who proclaim what God says help the group of believers become stronger

I want all of you to talk in unknown languages. What I want even more, however, is⁵
that you might proclaim what God says. Proclaiming what God says is more important and
the unknown helpful than talking in unknown languages. Of course, if someone explains
.can help believers become stronger too then it ,language

,for example ,my fellow believers: imagine that I ,is what I am trying to say Here⁶
 visited you, and I talked in unknown languages. I would not be helping you at all. To
 help you know things, proclaim ,to you actually help you, I would need to reveal things
 Even things that are not alive but that we use to make⁷ .you or teach ,to you what God says
 a flute or a harp, the instrument When someone plays .illustrate what I am saying sounds
 must make various distinct sounds. Otherwise, no one would understand what a person
 Further, suppose that⁸ .since all the sounds would be the same ,plays on the flute or the harp
 No one would .when a person used it to warn others a trumpet did not make clear sounds
 Whenever you do not use words⁹ .know that they needed to get ready to fight the enemy
 an instrument that does not make a that other people recognize when you talk, you are like
 a person like No one will comprehend what you are saying, and you will be .clear sound
 .It seems to be true that a great many varieties of languages exist¹⁰ .who talks to nobody
 do not understand ,for example ,So, when I¹¹ .Every one of them communicates clearly
 and ,that language how a language communicates, I am a stranger to everyone who speaks
 So, here is what you must do: because you desire that the Holy¹² .they are strangers to me
 to use what the Holy Spirit Spirit specially empowers you, you should strive more and more
 .to help the group of believers become stronger empowers you to do

Therefore, those who talk in unknown languages should ask God to enable them to¹³
 ,in an unknown language to God pray ,for example ,When I¹⁴ .what they are saying explain
 ,Therefore¹⁵ .only part of me is praying since I am not thinking about what I am saying
 not only with just some parts of us to God We should pray .you and I should do here is what
 not only with just to God but also by thinking about what we are saying. We should sing
 Imagine that people¹⁶ .some parts of us but also by thinking about what we are singing
 hear you praising God when you are using just unknown languages who do not understand
 Those people will not .and you are not thinking about what you are saying ,some parts of you
 the unknown be able to participate when you praise God because they do not understand
 .that you are speaking language

In this situation, you praise God appropriately. However, you do not help other people¹⁷
 I give thanks to God that I talk in unknown languages more than you¹⁸ .become stronger
 However, when I gather together with fellow believers to worship God, I want to¹⁹ .all do
 not speak only a few words that I think about. In this way, I can teach other believers and
 .a million words in an unknown language to say than It is better for me to do that .just myself

little about these things, like My fellow believers, I do not want you to be foolish²⁰
 a fully grown adult about these things, like Rather, you should know much .are children
 The prophet²¹ .little children by not doing what is wrong like be only You should .does
 ,Isaiah wrote in the Scriptures what the Lord says

I will talk to my people Israel“
.by means of people who speak foreign languages
”.However, they will not listen to me in this way

Therefore, talking in unknown languages signifies that God judges people who do²²
,On the other hand .in the Messiah not people who do believe ,in the Messiah not believe
in the people who believe signifies that God acts kindly toward proclaiming what God says
So, imagine that the²³ .in the Messiah not toward people who do not believe ,Messiah
whole group of believers gathered together to worship God, and all of you talked in
unknown languages unknown languages. Imagine further that people who do not understand
that you are others visit your group. They will tell in the Messiah or who do not believe
On the other hand, imagine that all of you proclaimed what God says. Imagine²⁴ .crazy
or who do not understand in the Messiah further that any people who do not believe
visit your group. Everything that you say will show them and confront unknown languages
everyone will know the things that ,In this way²⁵ .what they have done wrong them with
hide from others. In response, they will kneel down and worship God. They visitors these
.that God truly is with you to others will proclaim

to worship My fellow believers, here is what I mean. Whenever you gather together²⁶
,Some sing songs, others teach, others reveal things .has something to do each believer ,God
others speak in an unknown language, others interpret an unknown language. Believers
When believers are²⁷ .should do all these things to help other believers become stronger
They should talk one .should speak talking in unknown languages, only two or three at most
,On the other hand²⁸ .what they are saying after the other, and someone needs to explain
when believers gather to worship God and a person who can explain the unknown language
of is not there, everyone who can talk in unknown languages should keep quiet. Instead
.privately to God in unknown languages they should talk ,talking out loud

.two or three people who proclaim what God says should speak around ,Similarly²⁹
,Now³⁰ .is correct or incorrect what they say Everyone else should decide whether
to someone else proclaim what whenever God reveals something to a person who is listening
.the person who is speaking should stop speaking ,God says when believers gather together
so that everyone has a chance to proclaim what God says, one after You should do that³¹
.the other. In that way, everyone learns something, and everyone becomes stronger
That is³³ .Those who proclaim what God says control how and when they proclaim it³²
.because what is peaceful and orderly, not what is disorderly, characterizes God true

people whom God has set apart for himself act when other like all the I want you to act
Wives should keep quiet when believers gather³⁴ .they gather together to worship God

They should not talk but rather honor and obey .and their husbands are speaking together
 ,Now³⁵ .law God's because that is what we find in They should do this .their husbands
 they should ask their ,about what their husbands are saying when wives want to learn more
 because wives who talk when They should do this .husbands questions in their own houses
 themselves and their shame and their husbands are speaking believers gather together
 remember that you are not the source of what ,If you dislike what I have said³⁶ .families
 .and believed what God has said God has said, and you are not the only ones who have heard
 All people who consider themselves to be those who proclaim what God says or those³⁷
 whom the Holy Spirit has specially empowered must recognize that the Lord himself
 as On the other hand, you should not recognize³⁸ .requires what I am writing to you
 .that the Lord requires what I have said any people who do not recognize authoritative
 In the end, my fellow believers, eagerly seek to proclaim what God says. Further, do³⁹
 ,Finally⁴⁰ .not prohibit people from speaking unknown languages
 you should always act in honorable and orderly ,when you gather together to worship God
 .ways

Next, I am informing you, fellow believers, about the good news that I told¹ 15

When you² .and you firmly believe it ,from me you about. You learned this good news
 continue to firmly believe the message that I preached to you, God saves you by means of
 .for nothing the message that message. Otherwise, you believed

the :from the Lord Here is one of the first things that I told you, which I learned³
 .wrote the holy books the authors of to take away our sins, just as on the cross Messiah died
 God made him alive again, just as ,after that People buried him, but during the third day⁴
 12 'rest of Jesus He appeared to Peter and then to the⁵ .wrote the holy books the authors of
 .After that, he appeared at one time to greater than 500 fellow believers⁶ .closest followers
 After that, he⁷ .Although some of these people have died, almost all of them are still alive
 Finally, after he⁸ .appeared to James and then to everyone whom he sent to represent him
 because I became one whom Jesus sent ,appeared to all of them, he appeared to me also. So
 In⁹ .I am like a baby that was born in an unusual way ,to represent him after everyone else
 fact, I am less significant and honorable than every other person whom the Messiah sent to
 represent him. Indeed, since I tried to destroy those who believe in the Messiah, I do not
 ,However¹⁰ .deserve it when others call me one whom the Messiah sent to represent him
 God graciously made me one whom the Messiah sent to represent him. Further, what he has
 ones whom given me has resulted in great things. In fact, I worked harder than all the other
 ,Instead .who worked so hard Of course, it was not really I .the Messiah sent to represent him

In the end, both I and the¹¹ .who did so much it was God graciously working through me
other apostles proclaim the good news that I have described, and you trusted this good
.news

Because all believers say that God made the Messiah alive again, no one in your¹²
that it Suppose¹³ .group should be claiming that people who have died will not live again
God did not make the ,In that case .that people who have died will not live again were true
that God did not make the Messiah alive that it is true Suppose¹⁴ .Messiah alive again
and you believed the good news again. In that case, it was for no reason that we proclaimed
Further, we would be people who tell lies about God, because we declared before¹⁵ .it
God that he made the Messiah alive again when he really did not. This would all be true
You can tell that this is true when¹⁶ .were God not to make those who have died alive again
God ,In that case .suppose that God does not make people who have died alive again you
that God did not make that it is true Suppose¹⁷ .did not make even the Messiah alive again
for no reason, and sin the good news you believed ,In that case .the Messiah alive again
In that case again, the believers who have died will never live¹⁸ .continues to control you
only before we to help us Suppose that we can confidently expect the Messiah¹⁹ .again
.for anyone else they feel sorry all people should feel sorry for us more than ,In that case .die

But here is what is true: God has made the Messiah alive again, and he is the first of²⁰
,You can tell that this is true²¹ .whom God will make alive again those who have died
did. So also people who have died will Adam because people die through what the one man
What I mean is that, just as all people²² .did Jesus live again through what the one man
will live believers end up dying because God united them to Adam, in the same way all
do so who will live again Now, all people²³ .again because God unites them to the Messiah
back in turn: first the Messiah and then those who belong to the Messiah when he comes
At that .will happen After that, what everything that God has created is waiting for²⁴ .again
time, the Messiah will get rid of everyone and everything that rules and governs and
so that God rules Father, with the kingdom who is our ,controls. Then, he will present God
God has decided that the Messiah will rule until :that works Here is how²⁵ .over everything
The last thing that opposes²⁶ .whenever he has conquered all those who oppose him
he made him conquer“ ,David wrote ,Now²⁷ .Christ that he will get rid of is that people die
everything that opposes him.” Of course, “everything” does not include God, who is the
So, after he has conquered everything, then²⁸ ”.one who “made him conquer everything
God the Son will submit to the one who made him conquer everything. In this way, God
.will conquer and rule all things

,Now, consider people who baptize others to help those who are dead. Further²⁹ there is ,**In that case** .suppose again that God never makes people who have died alive again **in that** ,Even more³⁰ .no reason for people to baptize others to help those who have died to constantly endanger ourselves **who proclaim the good news** there is no reason for we ,**case** by how I boast **that this is true** Indeed, I risk dying very frequently. I swear³¹ .**as we do** ,about you, fellow believers, which I do because God has united all of us to the Messiah Suppose that I was thinking about merely human things while I³² .Jesus our Lord **who is** ,**In that case** .struggled against those who opposed me when I visited the city of Ephesus does not benefit me at all. Suppose again that God does not make **struggling against them** eat :**do what many people say to do** we should ,**In that case** .people who have died alive again You should not believe what is³³ .because we will die very soon ,**wine and drink** ,**food** Evil friends lead astray a person who normally does“ :**This popular saying is true** .wrong I want you to start acting alertly and properly. You should not keep³⁴ ”.what is proper because some people in your group do not **I command these things** .doing what is wrong know God. I say that in order to make you feel ashamed

Now a person may ask about the way in which the people who have died live again³⁵ ,**If you do not know the answers to those questions**³⁶ .and about what form they will take a seed that you put in the ground must :**Just think about this** !you are not thinking clearly it **you know that** ,a seed that you put in the ground **Speaking about**³⁷ .die before it can grow **we are** is not in the form of the plant. Rather, it is just the seed. This is true whether Indeed, God makes seeds grow into the forms³⁸ .wheat or some other crop **speaking about** The³⁹ .**into which it grows** that he chooses, and each kind of seed has a specific form physical parts of different living beings vary. For example, humans, mammals, birds, and Some things exist in heaven, and other⁴⁰ .fish all have different kinds of physical parts things exist on earth. The forms of things in heaven are glorious in one way, while the the sun, moon, and stars ,**Further**⁴¹ .forms of things on earth are glorious in another way .are glorious in different ways. In fact, each star is glorious in its own specific way

people who have died live again. People put a **all that applies to how** Here is the way⁴² .decaying body into the ground, but God makes it alive again so that it can never die People put a body that receives no respect into the ground, but God makes it alive again⁴³ so that everyone respects it. People put a frail body into the ground, but God makes it alive ,People put a body that belongs to this world into the ground⁴⁴ .again so that it is strong but God makes it alive again so that it belongs to the world that God will renew. Just as .some bodies belong to this world, so some bodies belong to the world that God will renew

,because Moses wrote, “God made the first human, Adam **You can tell that this is true**⁴⁵
 another **On the other hand, Jesus, who is like**”.as a living being who belonged to this world
 the Now⁴⁶ .Adam, now belongs to the world that God will renew and gives life to others
 the last body that belongs to this world existed first, and only after that does **first Adam’s**
Adam, who represents⁴⁷ .exist that belongs to the world that God will renew **Adam’s body**
On the .God made him from dust ,**In fact** .human, belonged on the earth **kind of the first**
All⁴⁸ .human, belongs in heaven **kind of the second other hand, Jesus, who represents**
 people who belong on the earth are like Adam. All those who belong in heaven are like
 that belongs to this world. In the same **Adam’s body** Our bodies currently are like⁴⁹ .Jesus
 which ,**Jesus’ body** way, we should live in such a way that our bodies will eventually be like
 .belongs to the world that God will renew

Listen to this, my fellow believers: human bodies as they currently exist cannot⁵⁰
 Pay⁵¹ .participate in God’s kingdom that lasts forever, since they fall apart and die
 attention! I am going to tell you something that God has now revealed. Not all of us will
 in one moment, as fast as a **He will transform us**⁵² .die, but God will transform all of us
 the trumpet that signals that this **an angel blows** when **This will happen** .person blinks an eye
 blows that trumpet, God will make those who have died **an angel** world is ending. When
 ,So⁵³ .live again so that they can never die, and he will transform everyone who still lives
 bodies that fall apart and die need to transform into bodies that last forever and can never
 When our bodies that fall apart and die transform into bodies that last forever and⁵⁴ .die
 :can never die, at that time what the prophets wrote about will finally happen

”.God has made it so that people no longer die“

,**Further**⁵⁵

”.When people die, this does not destroy or hurt them“

People die because sin causes them to die, and that happens because the law⁵⁶
 However, I praise God because he has enabled us⁵⁷ .specifies dying as the penalty for sin
 by means of what our Lord, Jesus the **He has done this** .**how we sin and die** to conquer
 .Messiah, has done

.**what you know is true** So then, fellow believers whom I love, firmly believe⁵⁸
 because you know **You should do these things** .Consistently serve the Lord more and more
 will result in great things, since God has united you to **to serve the Lord** that what you do
 .the Lord

I am now moving on to speak about the money that I am collecting for God's¹ **16**

in **who live** I want you to do what I instructed the groups of believers **.who are Jewish** people

During each Sunday, every one of you should take some² **.the region of Galatia** to do money out of whatever you have earned and save it. That way, I will not need to collect

Choose some trustworthy people from your group. When I visit³ **.money** when I visit you to the city of Jerusalem. Also, I **that you have collected** you, I will have them take the money

You and I may decide that I⁴ **.that say that I have authorized them** will give them letters will travel with **whom you choose** as well. In that case, the people **to Jerusalem** should go **.me**

I am going to visit you after I travel through the region of Macedonia, which is the⁵

In fact, I may spend some time with you, maybe the whole⁶ **.way** I will be traveling

I am⁷ **.winter**. That way, you can assist me in traveling to wherever I decide to go next because I would rather wait to be with you for a long time than visit you **making these plans** right now for just a short time. I confidently expect to do this as long as it is what the Lord

For now, I plan on remaining here in the city of Ephesus until the⁸ **.me to do** wants

because God has allowed me to effectively and **I am remaining here**⁹ **.Pentecost festival** the large number of people who are **Further, I need to resist** **.freely** proclaim the good news **.working against me**

make sure that he feels safe when he is with **,in your city** Whenever Timothy arrives¹⁰ just like I **,by proclaiming the good news** because he serves the Lord **You should do this** **.you** So, do not treat him disrespectfully. Rather, act in a friendly way by assisting him in¹¹ **.do** because I anticipate that he will come back to me **You should do this** **.traveling back to me** **.who are traveling to visit me** with the other believers

I am now moving on to speak about our fellow believer, Apollos. I firmly urged him¹²

However, he firmly **.who were traveling to visit you** to visit you with the other believers decided that it was not the right time to visit you. Instead, he will visit you when he thinks **.that it is the right time**

Be courageous! Be **!the good news** Firmly believe **!for what is wrong** Watch out¹³

.You should focus on loving others whenever you think or do anything¹⁴ **!determined**

to You know that those who live in the house of Stephanas were the first people¹⁵ in the region of Achaia. Further, they have chosen to serve God's **believe the good news** to honor and obey them and other people like¹⁶ **,people**. I ask you, my fellow believers **to proclaim the good** every person who works hard **you should honor and obey** **,them**. In fact

That is .I am happy that Stephanas, Fortunatus, and Achaicus arrived here¹⁷ .with us **news**
 .because they have allowed me to connect with you all even when you are not with me
 They encouraged and energized both me and you. Therefore, you should honor them¹⁸
 .and other people like them

The groups of believers here in the region of Asia say hello to you. Aquila and¹⁹
 .Priscilla, as those whom God has also united to the Lord, say hello to you affectionately
 who All the fellow believers²⁰ .**also say hello to you** The believers that gather in their house
 .say hello to you. Welcome each other in a loving way **are with me**

instead of having my myself these last words I am writing .**to you** I, Paul, say hello²¹
 May God curse everyone who fails to love the Lord. I pray that the²² .**scribe write them**
 I continue to²⁴ .the Lord Jesus will be gracious to you **I pray that**²³ .Lord returns soon
 !love all of you, since God has united us together with Jesus the Messiah. May it be so