

Story 123: Paul Wrote to Christians in Corinth

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Read some things Paul wrote to the Corinthians in I Corinthians 3:1-3; 3:16-17; and 5:1-2. Then answer the questions below.

Words to Know

change – make their lives turn from evil thoughts and actions to good thoughts and actions

wicked – morally bad, evil, sinful

Questions

1. What were most of the people in Corinth like before Paul told them about Jesus?
2. Why was it difficult for new believers in Corinth to follow Jesus?
3. Why did Paul write to the believers in Corinth?
4. In I Corinthians 3:1-3, what did Paul say the believers were doing?
5. According to I Corinthians 3:16-17, where does God live? How should this affect the way believers live?
6. According to I Corinthians 5:1-2, what evil thing is one of the believers in Corinth is doing? What does Paul say the church should do about it?

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