

1 Corinthians
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Monday, 9:30 – 11:00 am
To be discussed –08/03/20

1 Corinthians – Lesson 18
1 Corinthians 16:1-24

1. Read 1 Corinthians 16:1-4. What was the *collection for God's people* that Paul was concerned about? (See also Acts. 24:17, Romans 15:26-27, Gal. 2:9-10)

2. What principles for both the giving and the handling of money by Christians are found in vv. 1-4? How might that apply to individual Christians and churches today?

3. Read 1 Corinthians 16:5-12. What factors or principles determined Paul's schedule? How could you apply the same principles when deciding how you spend your time?

4. Why did Paul choose to stay on at Ephesus? (v. 9) How were those reasons equally valid when they appear to be contradictory? (See Acts 19:1-10)

5. Why do you think Paul was concerned about their treatment of Timothy? (See 1 Tim. 4:11-16) What might have been going on with Apollos? (See Acts 1:10-12)

6. Read 1 Corinthians 16:13-24. How does Paul begin his final greeting in vv. 13-14? Why? Why are his commands equally relevant to churches and individual believers today?

7. Paul is often seen as a stern, solitary man, yet his letters always conclude with thanksgiving for and greetings from his many friends and co-workers. What do you learn about the "heart" of Paul from his ending to this letter? (vv. 19-24)

8. Who has *refreshed your spirit* recently? Who might need a little spiritual refreshment from you? How might you recognize the first and do the second?