

LESSON 2: 1 CORINTHIANS 1:1-10

Crisis in Corinth

1. Paul writes to those “called to be holy” (v. 2). What is a saint? (See also Eph. 1:4; 1 Pet. 1:2-10.) Are you a saint?
2. What does it mean to be “called” by God (v. 2)? (See also vv. 9, 24, and 26.) What is your calling? And what, in turn, does it mean for you “to call on the name of the Lord” (v. 2; see also Gen. 4:26)?
3. What does Paul mean when he writes, “Grace and peace to you” (v. 3)? (See also Eph. 1:5-7; Phil. 4:7.)
4. For what in the Corinthian Christians does Paul “always thank God” (vv. 4-7)? Why compliment people before you get serious with them about their deep problems?
5. What does Paul tell us about God (vv. 8-9)? Specifically, what great truth is affirmed in these verses? What implications are there for you in the fact that God will keep you strong until the end?
6. What has been happening within the fellowship of believers in Corinth (vv. 10-12)? How prevalent is this problem today? Any examples?