

"Suing Saints" The People's Court

I Corinthians 6:1-11

We are called to:

I. Sensibility – "who are least esteemed in the church" (vs. 1-6) *God has made us:*

- A. W_____ " unworthy to judge the smallest matters?"
- **B.** Wi_____ "there is not a wise man among you?"
- C. Wit______ "brother goes to law...before unbelievers"

II. Suffering – "why do you not rather take wrong" (vs. 7-10) *God doesn't want:*

A. F______ – "because you go to law one with another"

B. F______-"ye do wrong, and defraud...your brethren"

III. Salvation – "in the name of the Lord Jesus" (v. 11) God's plan comes with:

A. S______ – "but you are washed" Practical

- **B.** Se_____ "but you are sanctified" Progressive
- C. Sec_____ "but you are justified" Positional

Sentence Sermon:

"When it comes to lawsuits between believers, our dirty laundry is best washed in house."

Additional Verses

- > I Corinthians 1:2, 30
- > Titus 3:5
- Revelation 3:21; 20:4, 13
- > Luke 22:30
- > I Peter 1:5
- Romans 3:24-26; 8:29-30
- > II Corinthians 5:21
- > Philippians 3:8-9
- I Peter 3:18; 4:16-17
- Genesis 18:20; 19:5
 Romans 1:26-27
- *Komans* 1:26
 I John 3:3
- *Revelation 21:7-8*
- > James 5:9-11

Questions to Ponder:

- 1. What are the key words or phrases in this passage?
- 2. Who are the central characters of the passage?
- 3. Who are the "saints" mentioned in verse 1?
- 4. What qualifies believers to judge legal matters?
- 5. Why does Paul "speak to their shame" according to verses 5 and 6?
- 6. What do believers lose when we have lawsuits with one another?
- 7. Why are the "unrighteous" so unqualified to judge between believers?
- 8. Why does verse 7 encourage believers to just suffer wrong?
- 9. What is Paul's point in listing all the sins of the unrighteous in vs. 9 & 10?
- 10. Why does v.11 say that only some of them were unrighteous in the past?
- 11. How would you explain the reason believers should not sue each other?