



“Dysfunctional Worship”

A Spiritual Disorder
I Corinthians 11:13-22

Dysfunctional worship:

I. Deviates – “It is a shame unto him” (vs. 13-16)

It disregards:

- A. **Com** _____ – “Is it comely that a woman pray...uncovered”
- B. **Cr** _____ – “Does not even nature itself teach you”
- C. **C** _____ – “no such custom, neither the churches of God”

II. Divides – “that there be divisions among you” (vs. 17-19)

It is :

- A. **Ha** _____ – “not for the better, but for the worse”
- B. **He** _____ – “there must be also heresies among you”
- C. **Ho** _____ – “they which are approved...made manifest,”

III. Demeans – “I praise you not” (vs. 20-22)

Its attitude is:

- A. **S** _____ - “every one takes before other his own supper”
- B. **S** _____ – “despise ye the church of God”
- C. **S** _____ – “and shame them that have not”

Sentence Sermon

“Functional worship requires a humility that is able to unify the body of Christ.”

Additional Verses

- *Psalm 34:3*
- *Acts 2:42, 46*
- *II Peter 2:13*
- *Jude 1:12*
- *Galatians 1:10-12*
- *I Corinthians 11:2*
- *Luke 17:1*
- *I Corinthians 1:10; 12:25*
- *Romans 1:20*
- *Matthew 23:12*
- *I Timothy 2:12*
- *I Corinthians 10:17*

Questions to Ponder:

1. What are the key words or phrases in this passage?
2. Who are the central characters of the passage?
3. Do you think it is “comely” for a woman to pray with head uncovered?
4. What constitutes “long” hair on a man? What’s wrong with it?
5. How important is it for a church to support clear distinction of genders?
6. In what ways can we make each other better by getting together?
7. Why didn’t Paul find it hard to believe that there were divisions?
8. How could we make each other worse by coming together as a church?
9. What were the “love feast” problems? How can we prevent them?
10. What does it mean to despise the church of God? Give examples.
11. How does unity or the lack of unity affect a church’s worship?
12. How can a church maintain unity in the church when there is diversity?