III. Honor God With Your Body. (vv12–20)

A. Freedom Isn't License. (v12)

We were designed to know, love, and serve God supremely - and when we are faithful to that design, we are fulfilled and flourish.

B. Your Body isn't Just for Pleasure but God's **Purposes** . (vv13–17)

Sex is for use between a man and a woman as a covenant renewal ceremony of whole life (spirit/soul/body) giving to one another. Gen.2:24; 1Cor.6:16; Eph.5:31-32

Sex outside of marriage eventually works backwards losing its covenant making power and causes you to be less able to commit and trust another person. It is a consumer relationship undermining oneness!

The gospel never leaves us at loss: Jesus redeems our misuse of sex. He forgives, restores, and empowers new patterns of faithful, covenantal love.

C. Flee Sexual Sin. (v18)

D. You Are a **Temple** of the Holy Spirit. (vv19–20)

Growing Notes

How should our identity in Christ make us different than the world in our conflict (resolving disputes) and conduct (honoring God with our body)?

Read 1 Corinthians 6:1–8. What does this passage reveal about how the church should handle internal conflict? Paul says in verse 7, "Why not rather be wronged?" What does this say about the gospel's influence on our relationships? What are some practical ways our church or small group can help mediate conflict among believers?

Read 1 Corinthians 6:9–11. Paul says, "Such were some of you..." (v. 11). How does remembering our past help us walk in humility and grace today? What do the terms "washed," "sanctified," and "justified" mean and how should they transform you in your conflict and conduct?

Read 1 Corinthians 6:12–20. Salvation by grace through faith in Christ doesn't free you to sin but free you from sin (v12). Explain. What is God's design for sex and what are the consequences for misusing it? Why should we run from sexual sin and remember our bodies are a temple of the Holy Spirit? How does Jesus (The Gospel) redeem our misuse of sex? Pray.

CHURCH CALENDAR 2025

JULY18:	Celebrate Recovery – 6pm – Anomaly Room
JULY20:	DB Starting Point – 9am – Conference Room
JULY24:	Signs of Freedom – 6:30pm – Community Hall
JULY25:	Celebrate Recovery – 6pm – Anomaly Room
JULY27:	DB Starting Point – 9am – Conference Room
JULY28:	Seasons of Care – 6:30pm - Family Room
JULY31:	Signs of Freedom – 6:30pm – Community Hall

^{**}Please check out dbcc.com for more information and to register for events.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Coffee Bar is open 45 minutes before services – if you are new with us please enjoy a complimentary beverage with a completed visitor card.

Please register for classes that require Childcare

Check out our website for upcoming events @ dbcc.com

Grief Share Class will resume in September

DO YOU NEED PRAYER?

- >Elders/Pastors available after every service to pray with you.
- >Call the church office to be added to the prayer chain.
- >Sunday night prayer meeting 6pm, in the lobby
- >Elders meeting 3rd Wed. monthly, Elders available for prayer and anointing.

James 5:14 Is anyone among you sick? Let him call for the elders of the church, and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord.

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"Lawsuits & Lust" (1 Corinthians 6:1-20)

Living holy means living fascinated in the pleasures of loving God and others in response to God's indispensable and irresistible love for us. Living as God's holy people produces purity in both how we resolve conflict (Lawsuits vv1-8) and also how we manage our bodies (Lusts vv12-20). These might seem like unrelated issues, but they actually reveal a deeper problem: the Corinthian believers had forgotten who they were in Christ (vv9-11). And when we forget who we are, we start acting like the world.

I. Settle Disputes Like Saints, Not Sinners (vv1-8)

A. Unsettled Disputes Damages our <u>unity</u> and <u>witness</u>. (vv1-3)

Disclaimer: This doesn't mean Christians should never go to court—there are times when legal action is necessary, especially in cases of abuse or criminal behavior.

B. **Godly Wisdom** Should Govern us in Conflict Resolution. (vv4–6)

Whether you are the offended (Matt.18:15-20) or the offender (Matt.5:23-26) you are to make the 1st move toward love, forgiveness, and reconciliation.

D. Better to Be **Wronged** Than to Shame Christ. (vv7–8)

Matt.18:21-35 The Parable of the Unforgiving Servant

- II. Remember Who You Were—and Now Who You Are! (vv9–11)
- A. The **Warning** Against Unrighteousness. (vv9–10)
- B. The **Power** of the Gospel. (v11)

"Washed" = Cleansed from sin—guilt, shame, and condemnation.

"Sanctified" = Set apart as holy for God's purposes.

"Justified" = Declared righteous in God's sight, not because of their own goodness but through faith in Christ.