

Mature Believers Will....

I Corinthians 10-11:1



“This Is My Father’s World”



This is my father's world
And to my listening ears
All nature sings, and round me rings
The music of the spheres

This is my father's world
The birds their carols raise
The morning light, the lily white
Declare their maker's praise

This is my father's world
I rest me in the thought
Of rocks and trees, of skies and seas
His hand the wonders wrought



This is my father's world
Oh, let me never forget
That though the wrong seems oft so strong
God is the ruler yet

This is my father's world
Why should my heart be sad?
The Lord is king, let the heavens ring
God reigns, let the earth be glad

This is my father's world
He shines in all that's fair
In the rustling grass, I hear him pass
He speaks to me everywhere



Announcements

- Next week will be our LAST meeting before the Holidays! We will reconvene on January 8, 2014!
- We invite you to celebrate Breaking Bread together with Jill Williams before our small groups next week.
- Shape to Serve THIS Saturday. Questions: Call Kay Austin at (512)334-3030.
- Tamales from Manos. Pick up December 6th. Order on the patio between the services.
- Host an International Student for the Holidays! We are in need of two more host families. If interested contact Maggie Tate at tate.maggie@gmail.com



The Mature Believer Will....

I Corinthians 10-11:1



I Corinthians 10- 11:1: The Mature Believer Will Have...

- Experience Balanced by Caution 10:1-22
- Experience Balanced by Responsibility
10:23-11:1



Warnings from Israel's Story:

1. Do not be idolaters.
2. Do not indulge in sexual immorality.
3. Do not test Christ.
4. Do not grumble.



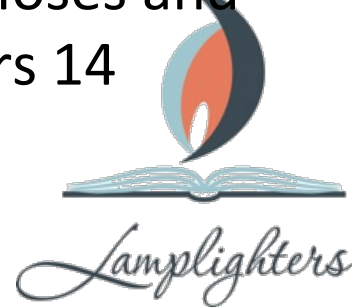
Israel's Offenses

NEW TESTAMENT

- Don't be idolaters 1C 10:7
- Don't engage in sexual immorality 1C 10:8
- Don't test the Lord 1C 10:9
- Don't grumble

OLD TESTAMENT Reference

- Golden Calf: Exodus 32:6
- Moabite women/ Baal worship Numbers 25:1-9
- Tested God by demanding better food. Numbers 21:4-9
- Complain to Moses and Aaron Numbers 14



What Paul says about Temptation:

- Temptation will come. V11-12
- Any temptation that comes is not unique.v13
- With temptation- there is always a way of escape. v13



Three Types of Meals

1. Lord's Supper (vv. 16-17)
2. Jewish meals in conjunction with a sacrifice.
(v 18)
3. Meals at the table of a pagan god. (vv19-21)



What these meals had in common:

- Each meal creates “koinonia”—fellowship.
- A bond within the community



Paul gives Three Warnings:

1. Privileges are no guarantees to success.
(vv. 1-4)
2. Good beginnings do not guarantee good endings. (vv. 5-12)
3. God can enable us to overcome temptation if we heed His Word. (vv. 13-22)



Experience: Balanced by Responsibility

· 1Corinthians 10:23- 11:1

- Responsibility
- Freedom



Paul's Argument Explained

- Pattern- ABABA
- A- Responsibility in Christ vv. 23-34, 28-29, 31-11:1
- B- Freedom in Christ vv. 25-27, 29-30
- Therefore: Responsibility and Freedom are interwoven as we Glorify God.



Questions to Ask Yourself:

1. Is it against scripture? 10:12
2. Will it build up or tear down? 10:23
3. Will it please just me or glorify Christ? 10:31
4. Will it help to win the unsaved or turn them away? 10:33



Lord, I Need You by Chris Tomlin

