

## "Bloom Where You Are Planted" (1 Corinthians 7:17-24)

- I. THE CALLING AND BENEFITS OF BEING A SAINT" (1:1-9)
- II. A CALL FOR UNITY (1:10-31)
- III. UNDERSTANDING GOD'S WISDOM THROUGH THE HOLY SPIRIT (2:1-16)
- IV. RESPONDING TO GOD'S WISDOM (2:14 – 4:21)
- V. ADDRESSING ISSUES (5:1-6:20)
- VI. ANSWERING QUESTIONS (7:1-16:1)

### A. Marriage (7:1-40)

#### 1. Changing Circumstances:

- a. Principle #1: You don't have to \_\_\_\_\_ your circumstances to \_\_\_\_\_ Christ
- b. Principle #2: Where God has \_\_\_\_\_ you and where He \_\_\_\_\_ you is where you are to walk with Him right there.
  - \* What characteristic of God does this underscore?
  - \* How does this need to be qualified?
- c. Principle #3: In the assignment in which the call of God came to you, \_\_\_\_\_ with the Lord right there
  - \* Is the principle unique to the Corinthians?
  - \* What examples does he cite?
- d. Principle #4: Your socio-economic status is not \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ the Lord
- e. Principle #5: What matters is \_\_\_\_\_ the commandments of God
  - \* What if you are stuck in a place you'd rather not be?

f. Principle #6: Regardless of social position, you are \_\_\_\_\_ in Christ to serve Him

\* The word **freedman** is a technical term in the Roman slave system for a manumitted slave, a slave set free or released.

\* What is the foundation of your freedom?

\* Why doesn't Paul seek that the institution of slavery be abolished all together?

g. Principle #7: When you are called to Christ, even as a slave, you don't \_\_\_\_\_ to your master, but to the \_\_\_\_\_.

\*How does this apply to you?