



“Separate”

A Clash of Cultures
II Corinthians 6:11-7:1

The clash comes in our:

I. Affection – “our heart is enlarged” (vs. 11-13)

Affection is seen when we:

- A. Recognize** – “O’ ye Corinthians”
- B. Relate** – “our mouth is open to your”
- C. Reciprocate** – “for a recompense...be ye also enlarged”

II. Association- “Be ye not unequally yoked together” (vs. 14-16)

Associations can lead to us being:

- A. Involved**– “fellowship has righteousness with unrighteousness”
- B. Intimate** – “what communion has light with darkness”
- C. Interdependent** – “What concord has Christ with Belal”
- D. Idolatrous** – “what agreement has the temple of God with idols”

III. Ambition – “perfecting holiness” (vs 17-7:1)

Ambitions lead to certain:

- A. Actions** - “touch not the unclean thing”
- B. Attitudes** – “cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of flesh and spirit”
- C. Adoration** – “in the fear of God”

Sentence Sermon

“Let the separation between you and the world be final and irreversible.” Charles Spurgeon

Additional Verses

- *Deuteronomy 22:10*
- *I Corinthians 15:33-34*
- *Matthew 11:29-30*
- *II Timothy 3:1-4*
- *James 4:4*
- *Psalms 37:25*
- *II Peter 2*
- *Genesis 19:1-26*
- *I Timothy 6:6-8*
- *Ephesians 4:15*
- *I Corinthians 5:10*

Questions to Ponder

1. What are the key words or phrases in this passage?
2. Who are the central characters of the passage?
3. What does it mean to have your mouth open? Your heart open?
4. Why would the Corinthians be restrained in their affections to Paul?
5. How would you describe being “unequally yoked?”
6. What are some right or wrong issues that believers clash with the world?
7. How does the fact that we (corporately) are the temple of God matter?
8. What does it look like for a believer to “come out from among them?”
9. How would you explain the difference between separation and isolation?
10. What are some “unclean things” that believers should not touch?
11. How does a believer “cleanse themselves” of defilement?