Author: Paul

Time Written: 57 A.D. from Ephesus

Position in the Bible:
- 46th Book in the Bible
- 7th Book in the New Testament
- 2nd of 21 Epistle Books (Romans - Jude)
- 3rd of Paul’s 13 books
- 20 Books to follow it.

Chapters: 16
Verses: 437
Words: 9,489

Observations about 1 Corinthians:
- Paul established the church in Corinth on his second missionary journey. Acts 18:1-17
- Two of Paul’s letters are written to the church at Corinth.
  - 1 Corinthians
  - 2 Corinthians
- In 1 Corinthians, Paul deals with a number of problems in the congregation there.
  - Division
  - Immorality
  - Lawsuits among brethren
  - Selfishness
  - Abuses of the Lord’s Supper
  - Spiritual gifts
  - Denials of the resurrection
  - Questionable practices
- Paul worked with the church in Corinth for 18 months in 51 - 52 A.D.
- In Corinth, Paul worked with Aquila and Priscilla as tentmakers.
- 1 Corinthians 13 is called the “love chapter of the Bible.”

- Paul wrote 1 Thessalonians and 2 Thessalonians from Corinth.
- The city of Corinth:
  - After Corinth was destroyed by the Romans in 146 B.C., the city was rebuilt by Julius Caesar in 46 B.C.
  - The capital of Achaia.
  - Its official language was Latin.
  - Its common language was Greek.
  - In Paul’s day the population was about 700,000 people.
  - ⅔ of the population were slaves.
  - Was filled with shrines and temples.
  - Temple of Aphrodite, located on top of the 1,800 foot tall promontory called the Acrocorinthus, had some 1,000 temple prostitutes.
- To “act like a Corinthian” became a synonym for debauchery and prostitution.

“And now abide faith, hope, love, these three; but the greatest of these is love.”
1 Corinthians 13:13