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Jesus said, I will build My Church. And knowing that, Paul gives us many interesting details as to what that lively edifice looks like: Paul speaks to those in Corinth not in hocus pocus spiritual sounding speech, but in meaty familiar context of straight talk. 1 Corinthians 3 when he said:

brothers, I could not speak to you as spiritual, but as carnal **sarkikos** from **sarx**, meaning: **flesh**, the thin veneer on the surface. In Acts we read: the Lord will pour out His Spirit upon all sarx which sounds like a good thing, doesn't it? Paul, a good teacher, who was taught by the Best is not using a condemnatory tone in this 1st letter, much like we hear from self-righteous peddlers. To Romans, Paul wrote: to be carnally minded is death... We should understand that verse: to be only carnally minded is deadly, since God is spirit, and those who worship Him must worship in spirit and truth.



¹ It is widely reported that there are sexual deviants among you, and such sexual deviants as are not tolerated among the Gentiles, that someone has the wife of his father / his mother.

² And you are arrogant! Shouldn't you be grieved, and remove from your assembly the one who did this?

³ Even though I am absent in body, I am present in spirit, as one who is present with you in this way, I have already judged the one who has done this thing;

⁴ when you assemble in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, and I am with you in spirit, with the power of our Lord Jesus Christ,

⁵ hand that one over to Satan for the destruction of the flesh, so that his spirit may be saved in the day of the Lord Jesus.

⁶ Your boasting is not good. Do you not know that a little leaven, permeates the whole lump?

⁷ Clean out the old leaven, that you may be a new unleavened batch, as indeed you are. For even Christ our Passover Lamb has been sacrificed:

⁸ So let us observe the feast, not with old yeast, nor with the yeast of malice and wrongdoing; but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.

⁹ I wrote to you in a letter, not to associate with sexual deviants:

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¹⁰ yet I did not mean with the immoral people of this world, or greedy, or swindlers, or idolaters; for then you would have to leave the world / all these people would love to live forever doing their creepy perversions against others; but God ain't gonna let that happen in His eternity .

¹¹ But in fact I wrote to you **not** to associate with anyone **who claims to be a brother or sister**; but who is a sexual deviant, or greedy, or an idolater, or verbally abusive, or a drunkard, or a swindler. **Do not even eat with such a person.**

¹² For what business is it of mine to judge those outside the faith? Do you not judge those who are within?

¹³ God judges those who are outside. So remove the wrongdoer from among you.

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