

## How Can I Become A Christian?

1. Admit that God is not first in your life and ask Him to forgive your sins. (*1 John 1:9*)
2. Believe that Jesus died to pay for your sins and that He rose again on Easter and is alive today. (*Romans 10:9*)
3. Accept God's free gift of salvation. Don't try to earn it. (*Ephesians 2:8,9*)
4. Through prayer, invite Jesus Christ to come into your life and be the director (Lord) of your life. (*John 1:12~13*)

### **What to pray:**

Dear Lord Jesus,  
I know that I am a sinner and need Your forgiveness. I believe that You died for my sins. Please come into my life and make me a new person. From now on I want You to be the director of my life. Amen.

## How Can I Become A Member of Kenmore Community Church?

1. Receive Jesus as your Lord and Savior.
2. Be baptized by immersion if you have not been already.
3. Attend the class "Discovering Church Membership" which is offered periodically through- out the year.
4. Indicate your interest in joining the church on the Communication Card or by calling the church office at 425-486-7487.

## LAWSUITS AND SEXUAL IMMORALITY

**1 Corinthians 6:1~20**

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**Main Thought:** In 1 Corinthians 6, we find some good reasons to avoid lawsuits among believers and sexual immorality.

### 1. REASONS TO AVOID \_\_\_\_\_ AMONG BELIEVERS (vv 1~11)

- 1) The problem in Corinth
- 2) We can resolve personal disputes within the church. (vv 1~6)
- 3) The existence of lawsuits between Christians indicates a spiritual defeat. (vv 7~11)
  - (1) We are unwilling to suffer wrong. (v 7)
  - (2) We are actually harming others. (v 8)
  - (3) We don't take sin seriously. (v 9~10)
  - (4) We don't understand what Christ has done for us. (v 11)

### 2. REASONS TO AVOID \_\_\_\_\_ IMMORALITY (vv 12~20)

- 1) The problem in Corinth
- 2) It contradicts God's purposes for the body. (v 12~14)
- 3) It violates our union with Christ. (vv 15~17)
- 4) Our bodies are temples for the Holy Spirit who dwells in us. (vv 18~20)

## **ADDITIONAL QUESTIONS FOR GROWTH GROUPS**

1. Read 1 Corinthians 6:1~20

2. What insight from this week's message did you find to be most helpful, eye opening, or troubling? Explain.

3. In verses 1~6, Paul is not talking about judging someone's behavior, but about judging between two parties in a dispute. What is his basic point?

4. In support of his thesis, Paul makes some amazing statements as though they should be common knowledge to his readers. What do you think the following mean?

"The saints will judge the world" (See Matthew 19:28; 2 Timothy 2:12; Revelation 20:4)

"We will judge angels" (See Jude 6)

5. Why is it scandalous that Christians are taking each other to court in front of unbelievers?

6. Why does having lawsuits prove that the Corinthians have been "completely defeated"? (v 7~10)

7. How do Jesus and the Holy Spirit make a difference in the lives of believers? (v 11) How should our position in Christ affect the way we handle disputes with other believers?

8. Review the context of verses 1~11. Is there ever a time when believers should avail themselves of civil courts? Did Paul ever use the civil courts? (See Romans 13:1-5; Acts 26:32)

9. Read verses 12~20. "Everything is permissible for me" was probably a quote from some Corinthians who felt that they were above moral rules and that their bodies had nothing to do with their spiritual lives. What arguments does Paul use to refute this idea?

10. What is sexual immorality according to the Bible?

11. What reasons does Paul give for not having sex outside of marriage?

12. How should these truths about the body affect our attitudes and actions?