

# I Corinthians 3:16- 23 The Holy Spirit Lives In Us, So Why Be In Need?

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Review: The judgement of rewards by Christ

I Corinthians 3:10-15, (I Corinthians 4:3-5, II Corinthians 5:9-10, Romans 14:9-10)

Today's Text: I Corinthians 3: 16-~~18~~ 23

**3:16-17** Paul relates this to the man who wasted his life in 3:10-15. The Holy Spirit has to live in each of us that are Christians. He does not leave when we act according to the old nature. He has personhood; He can be sadden and grieved when we are unresponsive to Him. He is the one who moves us to call out, "Abba, Father!" when we are surrendered to the Lord. It is very much a work on the "inside" of us. Much deeper than mere conscience; much deeper than a set of principles. Paul assumes they remember him teaching them this truth. He is shocked!

Jesus is alive in you by the Holy Spirit! This is not only to live in eternity with Him after physical death, but to **dwel** ( is the word, "tabernacle." ) in you now! Literally to "be at home in you."

The clear difference between a religious person and a person born-again is that the born-again person does the good because he is in love with Christ, the person of Christ , and not some vague idea of Christ. It is the person who continually experiencing the presence of the Holy Spirit.

**Romans 8:14-16, 23-27** This cannot happen long-distance!

The word in 3: 1-17 is "NOAS" meaning the inner sanctuary of God.

Not the outer courts, "HERON" ( Matthew 24:1).

**3:17** 2 example of this destruction is Chapter 5 and 11.

Will deal more fully with being a temple of the Holy Spirit when we get to chapter 6.

**3: 18-21a** Paul is concluding his thought from 1:18-31. All this cult of personality has to stop! This being envious of the world system is going backwards, into the dark again! It is misery under bright, beautiful lights, but hides despair and emptiness, and hopelessness!

**Why do we act like we are lacking something?**

**3: 21a-23** "All things belong to you." He wants to comfort them with this great truth!

**Ex.** Do you think you would ever see Elon Musk and Donald Trump chasing down a dollar bill down a windy street, then fighting each other for it? Why not?

**Ex.** Overnight stay at Seminary and library open till 11:00 P.M. Nobody ever told me, nor did I ever imagine I had that resource open to me. Senior year I knew. I suffered by not knowing all these things belonged to me.

Did you try to walk in the Spirit today and the Holy Spirit said He did not want to walk with you? Of course not! Have you called on the Lord and He said, "Not today!" Of course not.

**You have all you need, to become all He meant you to become.** The world system promises things but never, never delivers!

**II Peter 1:3** " seeing that His divine power has granted to us **everything** pertaining to life and godliness, through the true knowledge of Him who called us by His own glory and excellence."

Romans 8:31-32 " What shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who is against us? He who did not spare His own Son, but delivered Him over for us all, how will He not also with Him give us all things?"

Matthew 6:25 "For this reason I say to you, do not be worried about your life, as to what you will eat or what you will drink; nor your body, as to what you will put on. Is not life more than food and the body more than clothing?"

Matthew 6: 33-34 "But seek first His kingdom and His righteousness, and all these things will be added to you."