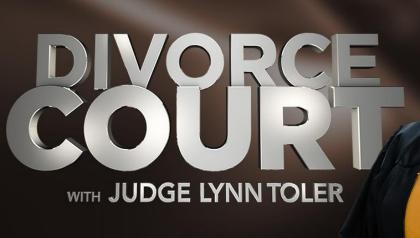
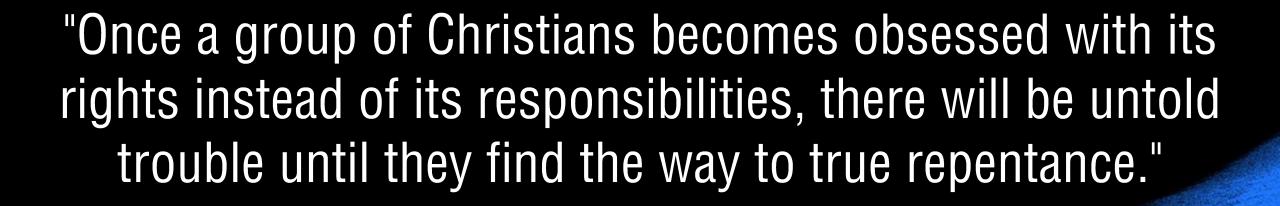
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Settled, Out of Court 1 CORINTHIANS 6:1-11









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"When one of you has a grievance against another, does he dare go to law before the unrighteous instead of the saints?"

1 CORINTHIANS 6:1

You are flaunting your failures.

"If your brother sins against you, go and tell him his fault, between you and him alone. If he listens you, you have gained your brother. But if he does not listen, take one or two others along with you, that every charge may be established by the evidence of two or three witnesses...

If he refuses to listen to them, tell it to the church. And if he refuses to listen even to the church, let him be to you as a Gentile and a tax collector."

MATTHEW 18:15-17

"Or do you not know that the saints will judge the world? And if the world is to be judged by you, are you incompetent to try trivial cases? Do you not know that we are to judge angels?...

How much more, then, matters pertaining to this life! So if you have such cases, why do you lay them before those who have no standing in the church?"

1 CORINTHIANS 6:2-4

You are forgetting your future.

Future position should determine present action.









"I say this to your shame. Can it be that there is no one among you wise enough to settle a dispute between the brothers, but brother goes to law against brother, and that before unbelievers?"

1 CORINTHIANS 6:5-6

You are bypassing your resources.

"To have lawsuits at all with one another is already a defeat for you. Why not rather suffer wrong? Why not rather be defrauded? But you yourselves wrong and defraud—even your own brothers!"

1 CORINTHIANS 6:7-8

You are betraying your calling.

"Or do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived: neither the sexually immoral, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor men who practice homosexuality, nor thieves, nor the greedy, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor swindlers will inherit the kingdom of God."

1 CORINTHIANS 6:9-10

"And such were some of you. But you were washed, you were sanctified, you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and by the Spirit of our God."

1 CORINTHIANS 6:11

When we release our rights, we release the power of the gospel.