

# Discover the New Testament – 1 Corinthians 2

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## Financial Support of Paul's Ministry and Mission

**1 Corinthians 9:11-12** – **11** If we have sown spiritual seed among you, is it too much if we reap a material harvest from you? **12** If others have this right of support from you, shouldn't we have it all the more?

**1 Corinthians 9:15-27** - But I have not used any of these rights (getting financial support from them). And I am not writing this in the hope that you will do such things for me. I would rather die than have anyone deprive me of this boast.

## Paul's Mission and Values

**1 Corinthians 9:16-27** – **16** Yet when I preach the gospel, I cannot boast, for I am compelled to preach. Woe to me if I do not preach the gospel! **17** If I preach voluntarily, I have a reward; if not voluntarily, I am simply discharging the trust committed to me. **18** What then is my reward? Just this: that in preaching the gospel I may offer it free of charge, and so not make use of my rights in preaching it. **19** Though I am free and belong to no man, I make myself a slave to everyone, to win as many as possible. **20** To the Jews I became like a Jew, to win the Jews. To those under the law I became like one under the law (though I myself am not under the law), so as to win those under the law. **21** To those not having the law I became like one not having the law (though I am not free from God's law but am under Christ's law), so as to win those not having the law. **22** To the weak I became weak, to win the weak. I have become all things to all men so that by all possible means I might save some. **23** I do all this for the sake of the gospel, that I may share in its blessings. **24** Do you not know that in a race all the runners run, but only one gets the prize? Run in such a way as to get the prize. **25** Everyone who competes in the games goes into strict training. They do it to get a crown that will not last; but we do it to get a crown that will last forever. **26** Therefore I do not run like a man running aimlessly; I do not fight like a man beating the air. **27** No, I beat my body and make it my slave so that after I have preached to others, I myself will not be disqualified for the prize.

**I Corinthians 10:23-24** – **23** "Everything is permissible," but not everything is beneficial. "Everything is permissible," but not everything is constructive. **24** Nobody should seek his own good, but the good of others.

**I Corinthians 10:33** - Even as I try to please everybody in every way. For I am not seeking my own good but the good of many, so that they may be saved.

**I Corinthians 11:1-33** - Paul gives instructions on issues regarding husbands and wives and cultural context (women's heads uncovered)

**I Corinthians 11:20-34** - Paul gives instructions on communion

**I Corinthians 11:23-25** - For I received from the Lord what I also passed on to you: The Lord Jesus, on the night he was betrayed, took bread, **24** and when he had given thanks, he broke it and said, "This is my body, which is for you; do this in remembrance of me."

**I Corinthians 12:1-11** – **Teaching on Spiritual Gifts**

**I Corinthians 12:1** - Now about spiritual gifts, brothers, I do not want you to be ignorant

**I Corinthians 12:12-30** – **The Diversity of the Body of Christ**

**I Corinthians 12:18-20** – **18** But in fact God has arranged the parts in the body, every one of them, just as he wanted them to be. **19** If they were all one part, where would the body be? **20** As it is, there are many parts, but one body.

**I Corinthians 13:1-13** – **Paul's teaching about God's love**

**I Corinthians 13:4-8** - **4** Love is patient, love is kind. It does not envy, it does not boast, it is not proud. **5** It is not rude, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs. **6** Love does not delight in evil but rejoices with the truth. **7** It always protects, always trusts, always hopes, always perseveres. **8** Love never fails.

**I Corinthians 14:1-40** – **Setting order in the church regarding the operation of spiritual gifts and tongues.**

- Paul explains the difference between the gift of "Diverse kinds of tongues" that is to be used in public worship and the private and devotional use of tongues.

**I Corinthians 14:4-5** – **4** He who speaks in a tongue edifies himself, but he who prophesies edifies the church. **5** I would like every one of you to speak in tongues, but I would rather have you prophesy. He who prophesies is greater than one who speaks in tongues, unless he interprets, so that the church may be edified.

**I Corinthians 14:18-19** – **18** I thank God that I speak in tongues more than all of you. **19** But in the church I would rather speak five intelligible words to instruct others than ten thousand words in a tongue.

**I Corinthians 14:40** - But everything should be done in a fitting and orderly way.

**I Corinthians 15:1-58** – **The Resurrection**

**I Corinthians 15:12-14** – **12** But if it is preached that Christ has been raised from the dead, how can some of you say that there is no resurrection of the dead? **13** If there is no resurrection of the dead, then not even Christ has been raised. **14** And if Christ has not been raised, our preaching is useless and so is your faith.

**I Corinthians 15:42-44** – **42** So will it be with the resurrection of the dead. The body that is sown is perishable, it is raised imperishable; **43** it is sown in dishonor, it is raised in glory; it is sown in weakness, it is raised in power; **44** it is sown a natural body, it is raised a spiritual body.

**I Corinthians 15:54-55** – **54** When the perishable has been clothed with the imperishable, and the mortal with immortality, then the saying that is written will come true: "Death has been swallowed up in victory." **55** "Where, O death, is your victory?  
Where, O death, is your sting?"

**I Corinthians 16:1-24** – Instructions of giving a special offering and the conclusion of the letter.