Our body is not our choice

1 Corinthians 6:9-20, p. 926

I. <u>A NEW ME</u>: GOD CLEANSED US FROM SIN IN WHICH UNBELIEVERS INDULGE (1 CORINTHIANS 6:9-11).

- A. Sexual immorality and other indulgent sins mark unbelievers who will not be in heaven (6:9-10).
- B. God cleanses sinners to live radically holy lives for Him (6:11).
 - <u>Washed</u> Forgiven, <u>Sanctified</u> Set aside for God's purposes now, <u>Justified</u> Eternally righteous forever

II. WE MUST USE OUR BODY FOR CHRIST'S PURPOSES BECAUSE OUR BODY IS HIS (I CORINTHIANS 6:12-17).

- A. We are not free to do with our body what is harmful or what controls us, thinking it's our body (12-13a).
- B. We must not use our body for sexual immorality because it belongs to Christ and will live forever (13b-14).
- C. Since our bodies are united with Christ, we dare not unite our body with someone immorally (15-17)!

III. WE MUST FLEE SEXUAL IMMORALITY TO HONOR GOD BECAUSE HIS SPIRIT DWELLS IN US AND CHRIST DIED FOR US (1 CORINTHIANS 6:18-20).

- A. Flee immorality because it violates who we are our identity in Christ (18).
- B. Honor God with your body because the Spirit dwells in us who were purchased by Christ's death on the cross (19-20).