



“God Controls the Context”

1 Cor. 1:1-2 • part 1

INTRODUCTION

- the importance of context

1. The context of the city

- geographical
- political
- moral
- religious

2. The context of the correspondence

- letter #1 (lost)

1 Cor. 5:9-13

- letter #2 (“1 Corinthians”)

1 Cor. 1:11; 5:1; 11:18

1 Cor. 7:1; 8:1; 12:1; 16:1, 12

- letter #3 (the “severe letter”)

2 Cor. 2:1-4

- letter #4 (“2 Corinthians”)

- root problem for division in the Corinthian church

- benefits of this epistle

3. The context of the colleagues

- *Paul*

Acts 18:1-5; Phil. 4:14-16
Acts 18:6-10

Heb. 13:5

1 Cor. 2:1-3; Is. 43:1-5

- *Sosthenes*

Acts 18:12-17

CONCLUSION