

1 Corinthians 5 + 6

“Men Behaving Badly”

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Sleeping with prostitutes – the case for the defence!

- “Everything is permissible for me”
- “Food for the body and the body for food”

BUT –

- Permissible doesn’t mean helpful!
- Sex is intended to express committed love in marriage – “the 2 become one flesh”
- Immorality is addictive
- Our destiny is with the Lord.

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 - 1 day to get Israel out of Egypt: 40 years to get Egypt out of Israel!
 - God wants to set you free!

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 - A challenge to holiness
 - The dynamic for change
 - He changes our sense of who we are
 - He changes us as he speaks God’s truth into our lives
 - He changes us as he focusses us on the Lord

Our Response – a Spring-clean

*“Get rid of the old “yeast”
.....the “yeast” of malice and wickedness”*

Chapter 5 verse 7-8

Choose God’s will for our lives.