

A Case of Legal Dispute 1 Corinthians 06: 01–08

1 Question 1:
Do you dare go before a secular court instead of saints to settle legal matters between Christian brothers?

2 Question 2:
Do you not know your high and exalted authority?

- a. You shall judge,
govern the world
- b. You shall judge,
govern the angels

3 Question 3:
Do you choose unbelievers as judges who have no standing in the church?

4 Question 4:
Is there not a wise man in the church?

5 Question 5:
Why not give in — suffer being cheated rather than running the risk of cheating a brother?

1 If any of you has a dispute with another, dare he take it before the ungodly for judgment instead of before the saints?

2 Do you not know that the saints will judge the world? And if you are to judge the world, are you not competent to judge trivial cases?

3 Do you not know that we will judge angels? How much more the things of this life!

4 Therefore, if you have disputes about such matters, appoint as judges even men of little account in the church!

5 I say this to shame you. Is it possible that there is nobody among you wise enough to judge a dispute between believers?

6 But instead, one brother goes to law against another — and this in front of unbelievers!

7 The very fact that you have lawsuits among you means you have been completely defeated already. Why not rather be wronged? Why not rather be cheated?

8 Instead, you yourselves cheat and do wrong, and you do this to your brothers.

A Case Against Unrighteous or Wicked Character

1 Corinthians 06: 09–11

1 *A shocking but critical question*

2 *The deceptive sins
that stimulate the flesh (sinful nature):
Are often thought not to be fatal*

3 *The deceptive sins that seek gain:
Are often thought not to be fatal*

4 *The power of Christ*

- a. A revolutionary conversion:
“Some were”
- b. Now you are washed
- c. Now you are sanctified
- d. Now you are justified

9 Do you not know
that the wicked will not inherit
the kingdom of God?

Do not be deceived:
Neither the sexually immoral
nor idolaters nor adulterers
nor male prostitutes
nor homosexual offenders

10 Nor thieves nor the greedy
nor drunkards nor slanderers
nor swindlers
will inherit the kingdom of God.

11 And that is what some of you were.
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.