

# Handling Church Grievances

## or

# *"How to Win a Fight in Church"*

### Sermon Questions

1. There is always opportunity for conflict in the church since we are all sinners in need of change. (Yes/No)

1 Corinthians 6:1–7 states the following: *It's wrong to bring grievances (problems between two people) outside the community of believers; rather, we should be able to settle a dispute among ourselves.*

2. What reasons do these verses give? (circle at least 3)
  - a. Christians will judge the world and angels, certainly they can judge simple problems.
  - b. God promises that when we judge we will never make a mistake.
  - c. Christians shouldn't give their money to lawyers.
  - d. It brings shame on the community of believers.
  - e. The unbelieving world will not judge by God's values.

3. Criminal activity, as well as trivial matters, should be handled by the church (Yes/No).

1 Corinthians 6:7–8 states the following: *It's wrong to be at odds with one another; rather, we should be defrauded or wronged for Christ's sake.*

4. What does it mean to be defrauded?
    - a. It's when "fraud" is taken from you.
    - b. It's when you give up what's rightfully yours to someone who has wrongfully obtained it.
    - c. It's when we steal back what was taken from us.
  5. Is it fair when we've suffered wrongly or been defrauded? (Yes/No)
  6. Giving up our preferences for others is difficult, but is necessary for church unity. (Yes/No)
  7. A common reason people leave a church is because their preferences are not met. (Yes/No)
  8. How is it possible to be treated unfairly and to give up what is ours?
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