Such Were Some Of You

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INTRODUCTION

- Most people get their religious views today not so much from the Bible, but from what they see on television.
- What God says is right, as outlined in His will is exactly what is right, and that's the only way we know anything about what is right.
- Let's look at 1 Corinthians, the sixth chapter, so that we might allow it to be what sets the tune for us rather than what society or culture at any given time thinks.

1 The Unrighteous Will Not Inherit the Kingdom

1 Corinthians 6:9–10

- Or do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God?
- The idea that people will not inherit the kingdom of God is something that ought to terrify those of us who are Christians and know better.
- Don't be fooled by a slick talking media, by the movies, by the newspapers, by anybody who would try to make you think that these things are okay.

2 Fornicators, Idolaters, and Adulterers

- Fornication carries with it the idea of having a sexual relationship with someone that you are not married to.
- How many kinds of things exist in our culture in which you find people who have basically taken God down from his position.
- For this cause shall a man leave father and mother and shall cleave to his wife, and the two shall become one flesh.
- When someone adulterates that covenant through unfaithfulness, they not only are wronging the person they're married to, they are wronging the God who sanctified the marriage between them.

3 The Effeminate and Homosexuals

- Using two words in the Greek language to describe people who engage in homosexual acts, and they are described as those who will not enter into the kingdom of heaven.
- It's not just an alternative lifestyle.
- It's something that is its very core against what God has designed in nature.
- We need to understand that he's not describing here people who may have certain temptations. He's describing people who engage in these acts.

4 Thieves and the Covetous

- It's wrong to steal something that belongs to someone else, and it doesn't make any difference how minor it is.
- It is wrong in the same way that dueling is murder by consent. The lottery is theft by consent.
- The word covetous carries with it the idea of grasping for more.
- We need to make sure that as we live our lives, we find more contentment in what we have than efforts to gain more and more and more.

5 Drunkards, Revilers, and Swindlers

Acts 2

- Drunkards are also people who will not enter the kingdom of heaven.
- We're talking about something that is a choice people make to make themselves not as much to listen to what God has to say when they have clouded their judgment through alcohol.
- A reviler is someone who curses someone else and speaks evil of someone else.
- Christians ought to be people who will be wronged rather than wrong somebody.

6 And Such Were Some of You

1 Corinthians 6:11; John 17:17; Romans 5:1

- But you were washed, you were sanctified, and you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus and in the Spirit of our God.
- They were sanctified. Which meant after they became Christians, they were set apart for the work of God and for the Lord's service.
- You can't share yourself with the devil and with the world and with our culture because you are set apart for the Lord.
- Therefore, having been justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. Justified means to be declared innocent.

> THE CHALLENGE
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> **Think about these things. And if we can help anyone as they make things right with God this evening, we invite you to come while we stand and sing.**

MY NOTES