

#### I. The Inferiority of 'Tongues.'

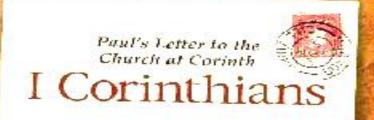
(14:1-25)

- A. Tongues do not edify (build up) the church (1-9).
  - B. Tongues means different languages. (Vv.10-19)

(Vs. 12 & 19) "in the church

C. Tongues do not edify the believers. (Vv. 20-21)

"babes in Christ" and "carnal" (3:1-4).



#### D. Tongues do not win the Lost. (Vv. 22-25)

- (1) at Pentecost it gave evidence to the unbelieving Jews God was at work (Acts 2);
- (2) at Samaria (Acts 8);
- (3) Peter preached to Cornelius the Gentiles
- (Acts 10:44 & 11:17-18)
- (4) At Ephesus (Acts 19).



## II. The Importance of Order in the Church. (14:26-40)

- A. Tongues/other Languages, are not allowed without an interpretation. (Vv. 26-28)
  - B. Prophecy = forth telling a revelation. (Vv. 29-33)
    - 1 Thess. 5:20-21, <sup>20</sup>Do not despise prophecies.
    - <sup>21</sup>Test all things; hold fast what is good.
  - C. Women in the Church. (Vv. 34-35)
    - Ch. 11: 5, But every woman who prays or prophesies with her head uncovered dishonors her head...

Paul's Letter to the Church at Corinth

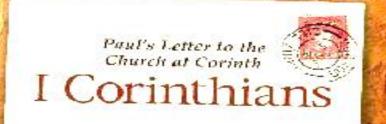
### 1 Timothy 2:11-14

Let a woman learn in silence with all submission.

<sup>12</sup>And I do not permit a woman to teach or to have authority over a man, but to be in silence.

<sup>13</sup>For Adam was formed first, then Eve. <sup>14</sup>And Adam was not deceived, but the woman being deceived, fell into transgression.

D. Obedience to the Word. (Vv. 36-40)



# Note the basic principles for spiritual worship that Paul gives to the church:

- (1) The teaching and preaching of the Word takes precedence over everything else in the church.
- (2) The church must be built up, therefore anything that causes confusion or division is wrong!
- (3) There must be nothing that would hurt the testimony of Christ before unbelievers within the church.
- (4) There must always be self-control by those in the church and not just emotionalism.
- (5) Everything must be done "decently and in order," following the Word of God as our only rule of faith and guide for our conduct.
- (6) Women are not to exercise authority over men within the church, but be submissive to God's Word.
- (7) There must be understanding before there can be blessing. Church at Corinth Speech not understood does no good.

  I Corinthians