



## **I Corinthians 1:1-9**

**Sermon #2**  
**September 17, 2017**

### **God is Faithful** (I Corinthians 1:9)

**Psalm 86:15** But you, O Lord, are a God merciful and gracious, slow to anger and abounding in steadfast love and faithfulness.

**Deuteronomy 7:9** Know therefore that the LORD your God is God, the faithful God who keeps covenant and steadfast love with those who love him and keep his commandments, to a thousand generations,

**Psalm 119:90** Your faithfulness endures to all generations; you have established the earth, and it stands fast.

**I Corinthians 10:13** No temptation has overtaken you that is not common to man. God is faithful, and he will not let you be tempted beyond your ability, but with the temptation he will also provide the way of escape, that you may be able to endure it.

**II Thessalonians 3:3** But the Lord is faithful. He will establish you and guard you against the evil one.

**Hebrews 10:23** Let us hold fast the confession of our hope without wavering, for he who promised is faithful.

### **By God's Faithfulness**

The church is called into being

Called by God's initiative  
(I Corinthians 1:1, 2; 3:16; 12:12)

Called for God's purposes

"into the fellowship of His Son"  
(I Corinthians 1:9)

“called to be saints”  
(I Corinthians 1:2)

“with all those who in every place  
call upon the name of our Lord  
Jesus Christ, both their Lord and  
ours.”  
(I Corinthians 1:2)

### **United with the greater Church of Christ**

Through the gospel, the Spirit unites us to the  
worldwide church.

The church is gifted by God’s grace.  
(I Corinthians 1:4-7).

You have gifts

Your gifts are...

From God

for

the good of others

the glory of God

The church is completely sustained by God's faithfulness.

(I Corinthians 1:8; Lamentations 3:22-23; Colossians 1:17; Jude 24-25; I Thessalonians 5:24)

### **And so Paul...**

is thankful for them (I Corinthians 1:4)

is reminding them (I Corinthians 1:3)

grace

peace

### **And so we...**

look at our messes that need to be dealt with.

look first and foremost to our faithful God...

who has called us.

who has gifted us.

who will sustain us.