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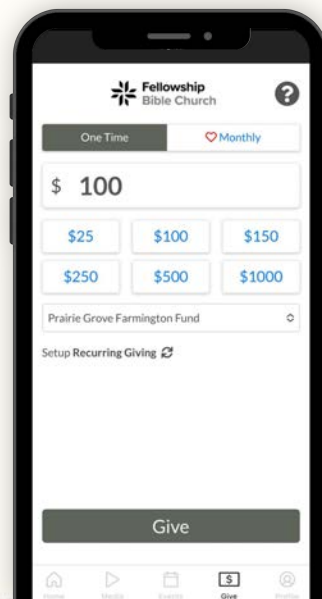
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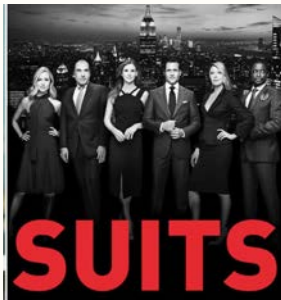


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1 Corinthians 1:11 ^{NIV}

My brothers and sisters, some from Chloe's household have informed me that there are quarrels among you.

1 Corinthians 6:1 ^{NIV}

If any of you has a dispute with another, do you dare to take it before the ungodly for judgment instead of before the Lord's people?



“We have already seen that the Corinthians were proud, competitive and assertive people. They were concerned most of the time for their rights. Their rights had virtually taken over from their redemption as the mainspring of their life together. As a result, they were extremely touchy if anyone infringed their rights or inhibited their freedom.”

DAVID PRIOR, *THE MESSAGE OF 1 CORINTHIANS: LIFE IN THE LOCAL CHURCH*

1 Corinthians 6:1-7 ^{NIV}

If any of you has a dispute with another, do you dare to take it before the ungodly for judgment instead of before the Lord's people? ² Or do you not know that the Lord's people 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, do you ask for a ruling from those whose way of life is scorned 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 takes another to court—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?

1 Corinthians 6:1-3 ^{NIV}

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1 Corinthians 6:4-6 ^{NIV}

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1 Corinthians 6:7-8 ^{NIV}

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The World's Wisdom

You gain status by winning,
which means someone else loses.

Cross-Shaped Wisdom

Your status is found in Christ, so
you are free to let others win.

1 Corinthians 6:9-10 ^{NIV}


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SERMON NOTES




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1 Corinthians 6:11a ^{NIV}

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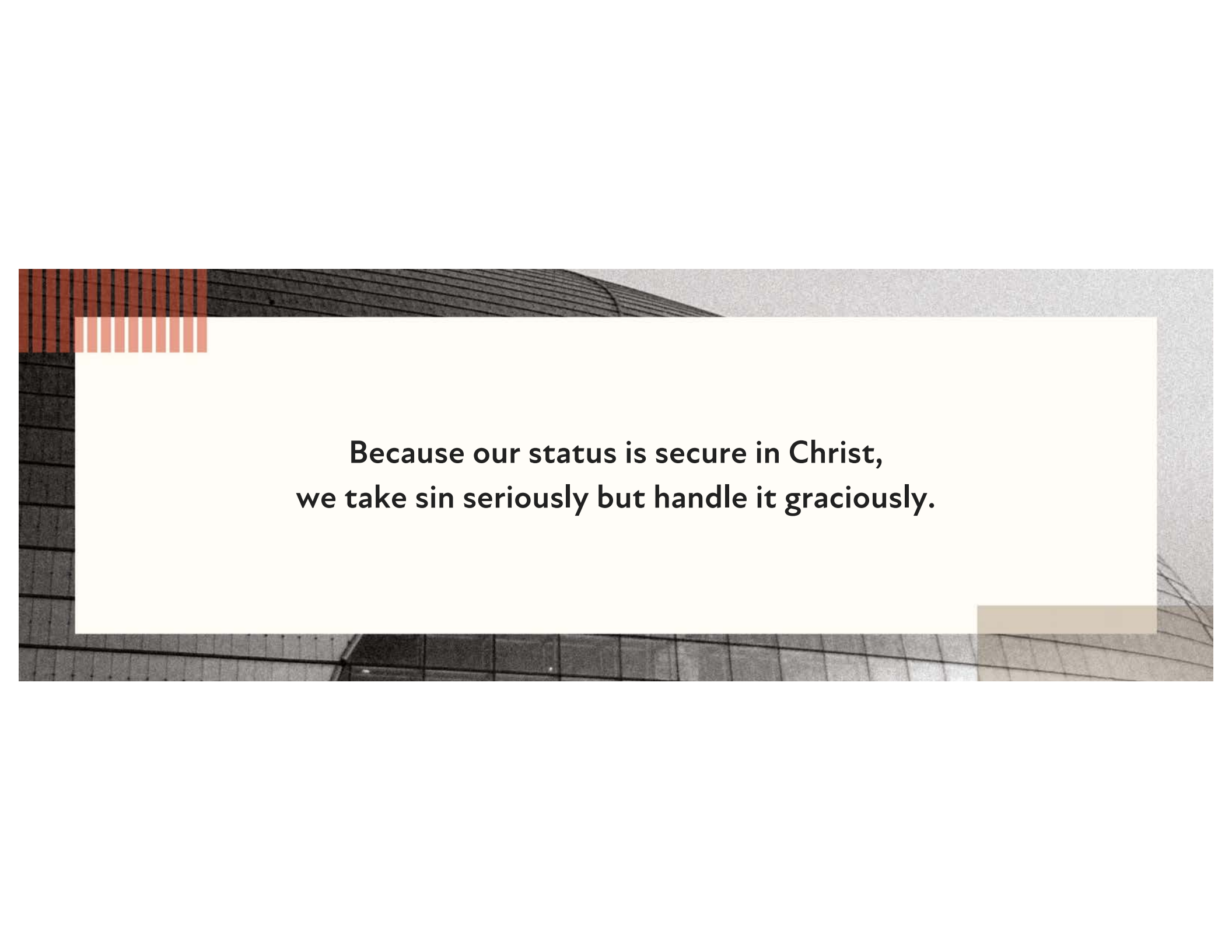
1 Corinthians 6:11 ^{NIV}

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.



“We don’t have to live in fear of the judgment that others make of us,
and we can have a right self-assessment because God has already
made his final statement about where we stand in relation to him. This
is the essential foundation for life with God and life in community.”

DR. STEPHEN T. UM



**Because our status is secure in Christ,
we take sin seriously but handle it graciously.**