

are gods and lords only in name, whether represented as dwelling in heaven or ruling on earth. Evil rule is borne by demons, Eph. ii, 2. There is only one God who is a Father, our creator, our final goal, one Lord the mediator of all things and the author of our Christian life. Therefore the enlightened Christian idols in themselves have no meaning. But the weak Christian has associated evil influence with the eating of meat offered to idols (in a city like Corinth the meat usually bought by the poor in the markets) and his conscience is defiled when he shares in what custom has taught him to regard as wrong. (Note readings in verse 7).

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V, 5. *παράδοῦναι τῷ Σατανᾷ* probably means more than to excommunicate, or cause him to change his master and so escape the restraining influence of Christ over his passions. It may be that the offender was threatened with some punishment so severe (e. g., Ananias and Sapphira) that the fear of bodily destruction was the real cause of his repentance. From II. Cor. we see that this was the result.

V, 6, 7, 8. *μικρὰ ζύμη* may be *κακία καὶ πονηρία* which showed itself not only in dissension but also in tolerating the incestuous person.

Since Christ has been sacrificed as our Paschal lamb we are in our lives keeping a continual feast of unleavened bread when the house has been cleansed from all impurity.

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VI, 1. Observe word *τολμᾷ*. 3. *βιωτικά*—"matters concerning mine and thine." 4. What is the meaning? 7. Note force of middle voice. 9, 10, 11. The material out of which the church was composed. *καὶ ταῦτά τινες ἦτε*—"To these classes one and another of you once belonged." 11. These three verbs are different phases of the same act.

12-20. The body must be viewed in the light of the resurrection. Difference between *κοιλία* and *σῶμα*. *σῶμα* is the organism of which the material composition may be *σὰρξ* or *πνεῦμα*. It is the organ of the life of the personal agent. Ordinarily the *σῶμα* is not affected by meats or activities of the flesh, but adultery is an action which so involves the whole