

1 Corinthians 10

- 1) What does this chapter teach regarding the possibility of apostasy?

- 2) Being “under” the cloud referred to a specific purpose and location of the cloud (Num. 10:34 & 14:14): Where was the cloud in:
 - a) Exodus 13:21-22?
 - b) Exodus 14:19-20?
 - c) What does 1 Corinthians 10:1-2 imply about the location of the cloud at the time the Jews passed through the Red Sea? (see also Exodus 14:24)
 - d) What word does Paul use to describe this action of the Jews being surrounded by water?
 - e) The fact that Exodus 14:22 states that the Jews passed through the sea on “dry ground” has led some to cite 1 Cor. 10:2 as proof that “baptism” does not require “immersion.” How would you answer this argument?

- 3) What “food” did God give the Jews? (if necessary, see Ex. 16:15 for help)

- 4) What “spiritual drink” did God give the Jews? (if necessary, see Ex. 17:6 & Num. 21:11)
 - a) What was “spiritual” about this drink?

 - b) What examples of figurative language do we see in 1 Cor. 10:4?

- c) What does verse 4 teach us about the role of Christ in the Old Testament?
- 5) Why was God not pleased with most of the Jews of the wilderness?
- 6) How many of the original wilderness Jews made it into the promised land? (for help see Num. 14:29-30)
- 7) According to verses 6 & 11, for what purposes were the events of verses 1-11 described to Christians?
- 8) What incident of idolatry is addressed in verse 7? (for help, see Ex. 32:1-6)
- a) What similarities existed between the pagan festival of Ex. 32 and those at Corinth?
- 9) What incident of fornication is described in verse 8? (for help, see Num. 25:1-9)
- 10) Be prepared to explain the story of the fiery serpents (Num 21):
- 11) Explain the difference between the confidence of verse 12 with the confidence of Proverbs 14:26:
- 12) What promise is given regarding “temptation?”
- 13) Did Paul approve of the Corinthians participating in pagan celebrations?
- 14) The idolatry instructions of chapter 8 addressed relations between strong and weak *brothers*: For whom should the strong brother also be concerned according to verse 28 of this chapter?