

**“Counsel for Graduates”
1 Corinthians 6:9-11**

How is a Christian to navigate life in a culture that is hostile to biblical values? Since the morals of ancient Corinth were much like that of our land today, we can learn from the counsel that Paul gives the church at Corinth, as he points out...

A Deception to Avoid (9a)

“Do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived.”

A Damnation to Abhor (9b-10)

“...Neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor homosexuals, nor sodomites, nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners will inherit the kingdom of God.”

A Deliverance to Accept (11)

“And such were some of you. But you were washed, but you were sanctified, but you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus and by the Spirit of our God.”

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Small Group/Family Discussion Guide

Icbreaker: Share a memory from your graduation ceremony, class or party if you had one 😊.

1. Why does Paul tell the Corinthians to “not be deceived?” What are some ways the devil tries to deceive us?
2. Why does Paul present a list of people who will “not inherit the kingdom of God?” What does God want us to learn from this list?
3. What are your thoughts, observations and/or challenges as you face the aggressive “gay pride” emphasis in our culture?
4. What does the wonderful truth of 1 Corinthians 6:11 mean to you on a personal level? How should this verse impact our attitude and approach to lost people who are practicing the lifestyles listed in verses 9 and 10?

Small Group Prayer:

Pray for one another to confidently “speak the truth in love” as we interact with people in a culture that is rebelling against God.

Personal Application:

- *Which of the 10 sins listed in verses 9-10 are a battle for you?
- *How have you sought to (or how can you) overcome these?
- *If you are losing the battle with any of these sins, confide in a fellow believer who can pray for you and provide helpful accountability.