



Morning Glory!

Oh God, thou art my God,
Early will I seek thee,
My soul thirsteth for thee..."

Psalm 63:1



Hey Child of the King: Take Credit for Your Mess

**"And I... could not speak unto you as unto spiritual,
but as unto carnal, even as unto babes in Christ."**

1 Corinthians 3:1

The difficulties that men and women face within the Body of Christ in the effort to work together and love each other are well documented. They are old, even so old, as Cain and Abel. The two brothers left us a formidable legacy to overcome. They handed down to us this stubborn propensity to destroy each other through words, thought, and deeds. Unfortunately, the church is not immune to such challenge.

*The legacy of Cain and Abel, this inclination to low-down treatment of each other,
is alive and well in the world and in the modern day church.*

Don't look any further. I'm talking about us!

Cain slew Abel with a weapon. But before he did, Cain had to slay Abel within Cain's own heart. The wisdom-filled commands of Jesus are of import here. He commands us to bless those who curse us. He commands us to do good to those who hate us. He commands us to pray for those who persecute us, so that we will be the children of God, children of the King, and avoid the legacy to wage war.

This is the condition the Apostle Paul addresses in our text of focus.

The church at Corinth was getting bigger, but it was also getting "badder".

The church at Corinth was getting richer, but it was also getting ruder.

The church at Corinth was strong and driven, but it also had strife and division.

Paul identifies the problem. The problem is not the devil. It is not the world.

It is not your brother or sister. The problem is you!

We often suffer from simple spiritual immaturity, which the enemy does arrive to exploit, but only because we are weakened by lack of growth. If we become strong enough and wise enough, the strife and division and envying and quarrels which sometimes made their home with us shall find no place. Let us grow up and discover these realities to grow out.

Pray this:

Lord of glory, grow me up, so that strife and division and envy and quarreling may grow out of me:

Help me to take credit for my contribution to negative things.

**Grow me to love, like, respect, admire, and enjoy my brothers and sisters,
as a child of the King should.**

COPYRIGHT DR. VERNON PERCY HOWARD, JR.

