A Culture Of Confusion: A Study In 1 Corinthians

"The Heart Of Worship" 1 Corinthians 11:2-16

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Introduction: As we return to our study this morning, Paul begins to deal with the next set of problems.

- 1. These problems were connected to how the Corinthians were worshipping.
- 2. As we've mentioned before, they were often quite wrong in their practices.
- 3. In our text today, his focus is on head coverings and hair length.
- 4. Because of the German Baptist community in our area, this is a topic of interest.
- 5. It is very easy to miss the point of this passage. We'll try to avoid that.
- 6. As is usually true, context is crucial.
 - Head coverings for women were a cultural norm.
 - As was hair length.
 - Cultural norms are not authoritative.
 - Believers have freedom in Christ.
- 7. This isn't really the problem in Corinth.
 - Breaking down the distinctions between men and women.
 - Allowing the immoral environment to be influential.
- 8. This became a source of distraction in worship.
- 9. So, Paul's challenge today is to return to the heart of worship.

- I. Recognize The Problem Biblically
 - A. The Facts
 - B. The Inconsistency
- II. Applying Biblical Principles
 - A. Creation Order
 - B. Purpose
 - C. Angels
 - D. Nature

Conclusion: We do not live in the culture of the Corinthians.

- 1. But in many ways, we do.
- 2. How we live our lives is an act of worship.
- 3. What is your life saying.