

# CALLED TO BE SAINTS TOGETHER

## 7 Characteristics of a Healthy Church

1 Corinthians 16:1-24 (ESV)

<sup>1</sup> Now concerning the collection for the saints: as I directed the churches of Galatia, so you also are to do. <sup>2</sup> On the first day of every week, each of you is to put something aside and store it up, as he may prosper, so that there will be no collecting when I come. <sup>3</sup> And when I arrive, I will send those whom you accredit by letter to carry your gift to Jerusalem.

<sup>4</sup> If it seems advisable that I should go also, they will accompany me. <sup>5</sup> I will visit you after passing through Macedonia, for I intend to pass through Macedonia, <sup>6</sup> and perhaps I will stay with you or even spend the winter, so that you may help me on my journey, wherever I go. <sup>7</sup> For I do not want to see you now just in passing. I hope to spend some time with you, if the Lord permits. <sup>8</sup> But I will stay in Ephesus until Pentecost, <sup>9</sup> for a wide door for effective work has opened to me, and there are many adversaries.

<sup>10</sup> When Timothy comes, see that you put him at ease among you, for he is doing the work of the Lord, as I am. <sup>11</sup> So let no one despise him. Help him on his way in peace, that he may return to me, for I am expecting him with the brothers. <sup>12</sup> Now concerning our brother Apollos, I strongly urged him to visit you with the other brothers, but it was not at all his will to come now. He will come when he has opportunity.

<sup>13</sup> Be watchful, stand firm in the faith, act like men, be strong. <sup>14</sup> Let all that you do be done in love.

<sup>15</sup> Now I urge you, brothers—you know that the household of Stephanas were the first converts in Achaia, and that they have devoted themselves to the service of the saints — <sup>16</sup> be subject to such as these, and to every fellow worker and laborer. <sup>17</sup> I rejoice at the coming of Stephanas and Fortunatus and Achaicus, because they have made up for your absence, <sup>18</sup> for they refreshed my spirit as well as yours. Give recognition to such people.

<sup>19</sup> The churches of Asia send you greetings. Aquila and Prisca, together with the church in their house, send you hearty greetings in the Lord. <sup>20</sup> All the brothers send you greetings. Greet one another with a holy kiss. <sup>21</sup> I, Paul, write this greeting with my own hand. <sup>22</sup> If anyone has no love for the Lord, let him be accursed. Our Lord, come! <sup>23</sup> The grace of the Lord Jesus be with you. <sup>24</sup> My love be with you all in Christ Jesus. Amen.

Healthy churches ...

... are \_\_\_\_\_ churches.

Galatia (v. 1), Judaea (v. 3), Macedonia (v. 5), Achaia (v. 15), Asia (v. 19)

... are \_\_\_\_\_ churches.

\_\_\_\_\_ (v. 2)

\_\_\_\_\_ (v. 3)

... are \_\_\_\_\_ churches.

With \_\_\_\_\_ comes \_\_\_\_\_ (v.9)

... are \_\_\_\_\_ churches.

What should we do for missionaries? \_\_\_\_\_! (v. 10-11)

... are \_\_\_\_\_ churches.

This includes \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, and  
\_\_\_\_\_ (v. 13)

... are \_\_\_\_\_ churches.

Both \_\_\_\_\_ (v. 13) and \_\_\_\_\_ (v. 22)

... are \_\_\_\_\_ churches.

**To those who ...**

(v. 16-18)

My part in my church's health: