

1 CORINTHIANS 14:33, 34, 40. (LESSON SEVEN) Taught on Wednesday night  
in the auditorium class at Liberty Hill

1 Cor. 14:33. "God is not the author of confusion, but of peace, in all churches of the saints."

1. NOT THE AUTHOR OF CONFUSION.

1. God did not give the gifts of the Spirit to produce confusion, but peace.
2. Any feeling, impulse, or desire of the heart, that leads a man to disregard a command of God, is another spirit and leads to confusion and not peace.
  1. He is the God of peace so his true religion does not produce disorder, tumult, or quietness.
  2. Pure religion embodies calmness, peacefulness, and thoughtfulness.
3. Some lessons we may learn:
  1. Where there is disorder and confusion there is little if any religion.
  2. True religion does not lead to tumult, to outcries, or to irregularity.
  3. It will not prompt many to speak or pray at the same time.
  4. Neither will it justify noisy or tumultuous assemblies.
  5. True religion does not lead a man to seek for the "number one" position regarding any work of the congregation.
  6. Confusion is traceable not to Divine wisdom, but to human folly.

2. BUT OF PEACE, AS IN ALL THE CHURCHES OF THE SAINTS.

1. Peace cannot coexist with confusion and restlessness, carelessness.

2. Luke 1:78, 79:

78-Through the tender mercy of our God; whereby the dayspring from on high hath visited us, 79-To give light to them that sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of peace.

1 Cor. 14:34.

1. LET YOUR WOMEN KEEP SILENCE IN THE CHURCHES ;

1. This rule is positive, explicit, and universal. "Keep silence in the churches". (1 Tim. 2:8-15; Eph. 5:22-28; 1 Pet. 3:1-7)

2. Some one would say:

1. That command for women was just meant for the Corinthian church.

2. I think not because:

1. "Unto the church of God which is at Corinth, to them that are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, with all that in every place call upon the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, both their's and our's." 1 Cor. 1:2

2. "For God is not the author of confusion, but of peace, as in all churches of the saints." 1 Cor. 14:33

3. Her obligation to keep within her sphere arises from:

1. Out of her natural position.
2. She is the weaker vessel. 1 Peter 3:7
3. It is confirmed by the command of God. 1 Cor. 14:34; 1 Tim. 2:12
4. Her silence should be dictated by modesty.

Brother David Lipscomb said:

1. Many churches do not hesitate to set aside any order of God if that order gets in their way.
2. The habit of women preaching originated in the same hotbed with easy divorce, free love, repugnance to child bearing and rearing.

