

# Growing Pains

## 1 Corinthians 5

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### God's Truth in your life and in your spiritual community.

#### 1 Corinthians 5:1-13 (NIV)

<sup>1</sup> It is actually reported that there is sexual immorality among you, and of a kind that does not occur even among pagans: A man has his father's wife.

<sup>2</sup> And you are proud! Shouldn't you rather have been filled with grief and have put out of your fellowship the man who did this?

<sup>3</sup> Even though I am not physically present, I am with you in spirit. And I have already passed judgment on the one who did this, just as if I were present.

<sup>4</sup> When you are assembled in the name of our Lord Jesus and I am with you in spirit, and the power of our Lord Jesus is present,

<sup>5</sup> hand this man over to Satan, so that the sinful nature may be destroyed and his spirit saved on the day of the Lord.

<sup>6</sup> Your boasting is not good. Don't you know that a little yeast works through the whole batch of dough?

<sup>7</sup> Get rid of the old yeast that you may be a new batch without yeast--as you really are. For Christ, our Passover lamb, has been sacrificed.

<sup>8</sup> Therefore let us keep the Festival, not with the old yeast, the yeast of malice and wickedness, but with bread without

yeast, the bread of sincerity and truth.

<sup>9</sup> I have written you in my letter not to associate with sexually immoral people--

<sup>10</sup> not at all meaning the people of this world who are immoral, or the greedy and swindlers, or idolaters. In that case you would have to leave this world.

<sup>11</sup> But now I am writing you that you must not associate with anyone who calls himself a brother but is sexually immoral or greedy, an idolater or a slanderer, a drunkard or a swindler. With such a man do not even eat.

<sup>12</sup> What business is it of mine to judge those outside the church? Are you not to judge those inside?

<sup>13</sup> God will judge those outside. "Expel the wicked man from among you."

Galatians 6:1-5 (NIV)

<sup>1</sup> Brothers, if someone is caught in a sin, you who are spiritual should restore him gently. But watch yourself, or you also may be tempted.

<sup>2</sup> Carry each other's burdens, and in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ.

<sup>3</sup> If anyone thinks he is something when he is nothing, he deceives himself.

<sup>4</sup> Each one should test his own actions. Then he can take pride in himself, without comparing himself to somebody else,

<sup>5</sup> for each one should carry his own load.

Matthew 6:33 (NIV)

<sup>33</sup> But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things will be given to you as well.

**What is my yeast?**