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⁷ Now therefore, it is already an utter failure for you that you go to law against one another. Why do you not rather accept wrong? Why do you not rather *let yourselves* be cheated?

⁸ No, you yourselves do wrong and cheat, and *you do* these things to *your* brethren!

⁹ Do you not know that the unrighteous will not inherit the kingdom of God? Do not be deceived. Neither fornicators, nor idolaters, nor adulterers, nor homosexuals, nor sodomites,

¹⁰ nor thieves, nor covetous, nor drunkards, nor revilers, nor extortioners will inherit the kingdom of God.

¹¹ And such were some of you. But you were washed, but you were sanctified, but you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus and by the Spirit of our God.

1 Corinthians 6:7-11

1. A strong word of rebuke from the Apostle Paul

- a) Going to the Law Courts as the first choice is "utter failure"
- b) Many use the Legal system to their personal advantage
 - i) To do wrong
 - ii) To cheat

2. Choosing to accept wrong-doing

- a) To be cheated
- b) To be wronged
- c) Far better than to cheat and to do wrong to others!

3. The Kingdom of God

- a) An apostolic reminder that we belong to the Kingdom of God
- b) A firm reminder that the following would not be included in the Kingdom of Heaven
 - i) Fornicators
 - ii) Idolaters
 - iii) Adulterers
 - iv) Homosexual
 - v) Sodomites
 - vi) Thieves
 - vii) The covetous
 - viii) Drunkards
 - ix) Revilers
 - x) Extortioners

None who persist in living in sin will inherit the kingdom of God.

4. An encouraging reminder

- a) Believers have been washed
- b) They are sanctified
- c) They are justified
 - i) In the name of the Lord Jesus
 - ii) By the Spirit of God
- d) If this is true, then the believer should not resort to suing each other for the slightest reason

- e) The born-again believer must conduct himself in righteousness and holiness