MAKE ROOM FOR US IN YOUR HEARTS

2 Corinthians 6:11–7:4

Key Verse: 7:2a

1. How had Paul communicated with the Corinthians? (6:11; 7:4a) Why were they withholding their affections? (6:12; see 1:17; 10:10; 11:5; 13:3a) How does Paul urge them? (6:13) Why did he think of them as his children? (1Co4:15) What kind of relationship does he want with them? (2:4; 12:15) What can we learn from him?
2. What direction does Paul give the Corinthians? (14a) What does it mean to be “yoked together”? (Eph5:7; Jas4:4) What words does he use to show believers’ and unbelievers’ incompatibility? (14b–16a) Why is this a serious matter for them? (1Co15:33) What does it have to do with their relationship with Paul?
3. What promises does God make to those who commit exclusively to him? (16b–18) In light of these promises, what does Paul urge the Corinthians to do? (7:1a) How might the phrase “everything that contaminates” apply to us today? What is the main reason we should work on our personal holiness? (7:1b)
4. What appeal does Paul repeat? (7:2a) How did Paul’s own example show what he means? (7:3) How and why does he defend himself again? (7:2b) Why was he so positive about them? (7:4; see verses 6,7)
5. What can we learn from this passage about: a) the kind of relationships we should have with God and with his people; b) how we can have such relationships; and c) why this is so important?