

Lesson 14

1 Corinthians 14:1-40

• Questions

1. What did Paul want the Corinthians to follow after and desire (14:1)?

2. Who did the tongue-speaker speak to and who did the prophet speak to (14:2-3)?

3. Who did the tongue-speaker edify and who did the prophet edify (14:4)?

4. Who was greater, the prophet or the tongue-speaker (14:5)?

5. What would Paul have to speak to the Corinthians to profit them (14:6)?

6. What important point did Paul want the Corinthians to understand concerning different voices that are heard (14:7-11)?

7. What did Paul say was important in the church (14:12-19)?

8. What did Paul want the Corinthians to be in mind (14:20)?

9. What were tongues for and what was prophesying for (14:21-22)?

10. How would unbelievers in the assembly respond to tongue-speaking and how would they respond to prophesying (14:23-25)?

11. What general rule did Paul lay down regarding the practice of spiritual gifts (14:26)?

12. What rule were tongue-speakers supposed to follow (14:27-28)?

13. What rule were prophets supposed to follow (14:29-32)?

14. What was the reason for these rules (14:33)?

15. What instruction did Paul give the women in the church (14:34-35)?

16. What question did Paul ask (14:36)?

17. What did Paul write (14:37)?

18. How was one to be regarded who did not accept Paul's commands (14:38)?

19. What were the Corinthians to desire and not forbid (14:39)?

20. What general rule did Paul lay down regarding conduct in the assembly (14:40)?

• Digging Deeper

1. What was tongue-speaking (14:2)?
2. What OT scripture did Paul quote in 1 Corinthians 14:21?
3. What OT scripture speaks of a woman being in subjection (14:34)?

• Applications for Today

1. The assembly is to be a place of edification (14:1-12). What kind of speech should Christians have (Eph. 4:29)?
2. The assembly is to be a place of understanding (14:13-19). What can and should be understood (Eph. 5:17; Col. 1:11; 2:2; 1 Jn. 5:20)?
3. The assembly is to be a place where God dwells indeed (14:20-25). How do God's people know when God is among them (Josh. 3:7-13)?
4. The assembly is to be a place where things are done decently and in order (14:26-40). What kind of lives does God want his people to live (Col. 2:5)?