



# GULF SHORES

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## ***Lesson #10 = Saints Can Overcome... Problems Regarding Conformity (I Corinthians 10)***

Introduction: We are in a series entitled: "SAINTS CAN OVERCOME." Before addressing the problems in Corinth... Paul called the brethren "saints" (I Corinthians 1:2). He knew they could overcome their problems if they focused on more important things. Today we will talk about overcoming problems regarding conformity. Please open your Bible to I Corinthians chapter 10. Let's read and study together...

### Discussion:

#### ***I. What Is The Problem?***

- Weakness in temptation  
I Corinthians 10:1-13, Exodus 14:19-24, Numbers 9:15-23, 25:9, Deuteronomy 32:3-4
- Wisdom of the world  
I Corinthians 10:14-22, 8:4, Romans 2:28-29, 12:5, I Corinthians 12:12, 26-27
- Worrying about image  
I Corinthians 10:21-33, 6:12, Matthew 5:16, Acts 16:3, 18:18, 21:24-26, Colossians 3:23

#### ***II. How Can We Overcome It?***

- Believe in God's deliverance  
I Corinthians 10:13, Psalm 18, 40, 91, 116, Romans 8:28-31, 12:1-2, James 1:2, 14-15
- Receive God's knowledge  
I Corinthians 10:15, Genesis 3:1-7, Matthew 4:1-11, Luke 4:1-13, I John 2:16
- Conceive God's plan  
I Corinthians 10:23-24, 31-33, 9:24-27, Acts 10:15, Romans 14:1-6, I Timothy 4:4

Conclusion: Sometimes things end in disaster. Sometimes there is a happy ending. However, most stories have the same beginning... making a choice. We must take responsibility and be held accountable for what we choose. The problems in Corinth were deep rooted, but they could be solved. Saints can overcome problems with conformity. We need to redirect our focus toward Jesus Christ. Are you choosing to conform or transform? Are you seeking the will of God? We are Saints. We can overcome.