October 10, 2021 2 Corinthians 6:14-7:1 "A Holy Church"

## Summary:

In 2 Corinthians, Paul reasons with the Corinthians why they cannot unite with unbelievers and must instead pursue holiness. The immediate context shows that the influence of unbelievers was drawing the Corinthians away from the Apostle Paul, and ultimately the true Gospel. By looking at 2 Corinthians 6:14-7:1, we'll see why we must reject union with unbelievers and cleanse ourselves from what defiles.

## Outline:

- 1) The Command to Reject Union with Unbelievers (6:14a)
  - a) Reason from Incompatibility (6:14b-16a)
  - b) Reason from Identity (6:16b)
  - c) Reasons from Scripture (6:16c-18)
- 2) The Command to Cleanse Ourselves from Defilement (7:1b)
  - a) Motivation from God's Promises (7:1a)
  - b) Motivation from God's Purpose (7:1c)
  - c) Motivation from God's Presence (7:1d)