**CHAPTER 5**

*He excommunicates the incestuous adulterer, and admonishes them to purge out the old leaven.*

**1** It is absolutely heard, that there is fornication among you, and such fornication as the like is not among the heathens; that one should have his father’s wife.

**2** And you are puffed up; and have not rather mourned, that he might be taken away from among you, that hath done this thing.

**3** I indeed, absent in body, but present in spirit, have already judged, as though I were present, him that hath so done,

**4** In the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, you being gathered together, and my spirit, with the power of our Lord Jesus;

**5** To deliver such a one to Satan for the destruction of the flesh, that the spirit may be saved in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

**6** Your glorying is not good. Know you not that a little leaven corrupteth the whole lump?

**7** Purge out the old leaven, that you may be a new paste, as you are unleavened. For Christ our pasch is sacrificed.

**8** Therefore let us feast, not with the old leaven, nor with the leaven of malice and wickedness; but with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.

**9** I wrote to you in an epistle, not to keep company with fornicators.

**10** I mean not with the fornicators of this world, or with the covetous, or the extortioners, or the servers of idols; otherwise you must needs go out of this world.

**11** But now I have written to you, not to keep company, if any man that is named a brother, be a fornicator, or covetous, or a server of idols, or a railer, or a drunkard, or an extortioner: with such a one, not so much as to eat.

**12** For what have I to do to judge them that are without? Do not you judge them that are within?

**13** For them that are without, God will judge. Put away the evil one from among yourselves.