# Problems in Corinth

* Know a lot about church there
  + Archaology
  + Troubled 🡪 Paul’s letters
* 1 & 2 Cor are part of an exchange
* Possibly:

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| * Paul | * Corinthians |
| * First letter (see 1 Cor 5:9). Mat be a fragment at 2 Cor 1:14 to 7:1. |  |
|  | * Mentioned at 1 Cor 7:1 (qaddresses Q) and 8:1, 12:1, 16:1m 12). * Taken to Paul in Ephesus (1 Cor 16:17) |
| * Second letter (out 1 Cor). Sent from Ephesus with delegation) |  |
| * Third letter. Lost 2 Cor 2:4. * May be 2 Cor 10 – 13. * Prep for visit which did not happen |  |
| * Fourth letter (2 Cor 1-9). From Macedonia, with Tuts & qa brther, to make collection – 2 Cor 8:17-19 |  |
| * Fifth letter (2 Cot 10 --- 13) * Response to arrival of super apostles |  |

* Response to 3 approaches and Chloe’s people
* Themes:
  + Enriched in him
  + Not lacking spiritual gifts
  + Waiting for revealing
* Emphasis on “body”
  + *Sarx* disordered, weakened by sin
  + *Pneuma*, power c.f. flesh
  + *Soma*- positive
    - Individual bodies
    - Body of Christ
    - Social body
    - Resurrection body
* Ascetic
  + Refine position of Corinthians?
    - Shun *or*
    - Regard as unimportant so can be indulged
  + No punctuation in the Gk.
    - Quoting v. opinion?
* Binding teaching c.f. method
  + E.g. Marriage & divorce
    - Need his. Context
    - Also see how issue is addressed
  + Starts with Christ
    - Adapted to Roman context
* Archaeology
* Social-scientific
  + Patronage
  + Honour/shame
  + Social stratification