

The image features two black silhouettes of gavels crossed in the center. Each gavel has a lightning bolt symbol above and below it. The background is a dark, textured grey with a vertical crease down the middle.

LAWSUITS

1 Corinthians 6:1-8

1 Corinthians 6:1-3 When one of you has a grievance against another, does he dare go to law before the unrighteous instead of the saints? Or do you not know that the saints will judge the world? And if the world is to be judged by you, are you incompetent to try trivial cases? Do you not know that we are to judge angels? How much more, then, matters pertaining to this life!

- **We know that we will answer to Christ on the day of judgment** (Acts 17:30-31; 2 Corinthians 5:10).
- **We know judgments are made right now** (Romans 2:26-27; Hebrews 11:7; Galatians 1:6-8; 2 Peter 2:4; Jude 6; Matthew 19:28; 12:41).
- **We also reign with Christ** (Romans 5:17)
- **We are also fellow heirs with Christ** (Romans 8:17).
- **The world and all things are ours** (1 Corinthians 3:21-23).

1 Corinthians 6:4-8 So if you have such cases, why do you lay them before those who have no standing in the church? I say this to your shame. Can it be that there is no one among you wise enough to settle a dispute between the brothers, but brother goes to law against brother, and that before unbelievers? To have lawsuits at all with one another is already a defeat for you. Why not rather suffer wrong? Why not rather be defrauded? But you yourselves wrong and defraud - even your own brothers!

WHAT I CAN TAKE HOME TODAY:

- I should care about what's happening with my spiritual family.
- I should encourage and back up my eldership.
- I should seek wisdom.
- I should not tear down the Lord's bride to outsiders.
- I should learn how to suffer wrong. Yes, even from brethren.