

The Household of Stephanas

I Corinthians 1:16



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- It is interesting to consider and study the information, impact and influence given about lesser known characters in the Bible.
- Today, we are going to look at a specific example found in the epistle to First Corinthians. In fact, this is the only place you will find a reference to this man and his family.
- What was this household and it's namesake known for in the Scriptures?



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- *Stephanas and his family were known for.....*

BEING THE FIRST CHRISTIANS IN ACHAIA

- I Cor. 16:15
- This is confirmed in I Cor. 1:16. It says that the apostle Paul was the one who baptized them.
- This would have happened on Paul's 2nd missionary journey according to Acts 18.



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BEING DEVOTED TO THE SERVICE OF THE SAINTS

- I Cor. 16:15
- The KJV uses the term “addicted” to the service of the saints.
- This may have involved ministering to the needs of the members, providing a place of worship, & encouraging.



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BEING A FELLOW LABORER WITH PAUL

- I Cor. 16:16
- Was certainly a leader in the church of Corinth; quite possibly an elder.
- Paul encourages the Corinthians to be subject to such people and give recognition to them.



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BEING AN ENCOURAGEMENT TO PAUL

- I Cor. 16:17
- It appears that he, Fortunatus, and Achaicus visited Paul in Ephesus to bring a letter of inquiry from the Christians at Corinth (7:1). I Corinthians is Paul's response to their questions and was most likely delivered to the Corinthians by these men.

