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HISTORY OF CHURCH AT CORINTH

- Established on Paul's Second Missionary Journey
- Paul writes letter to church about fellowship
- Report from household of Chloe
- Questions sent from Corinth
- Paul writes 1 Corinthians

AUTHORITY FROM CORINTH

- Effort to establish authority for ongoing fellowship with sin and error
- Letter has to be interpreted in harmony with all other scripture forbidding perpetual fellowship with sin or error

TWO EXTREMES

- Corinth had serious and sinful problems therefore it is acceptable when we do
- This church can never have any problems

LEARNING FROM CORINTH

- Churches Will Have Problems
- All Problems Are Not Equal
- Was Corinth In An Acceptable Condition?
- The Real Issue Is Tolerance Of Sin And Error

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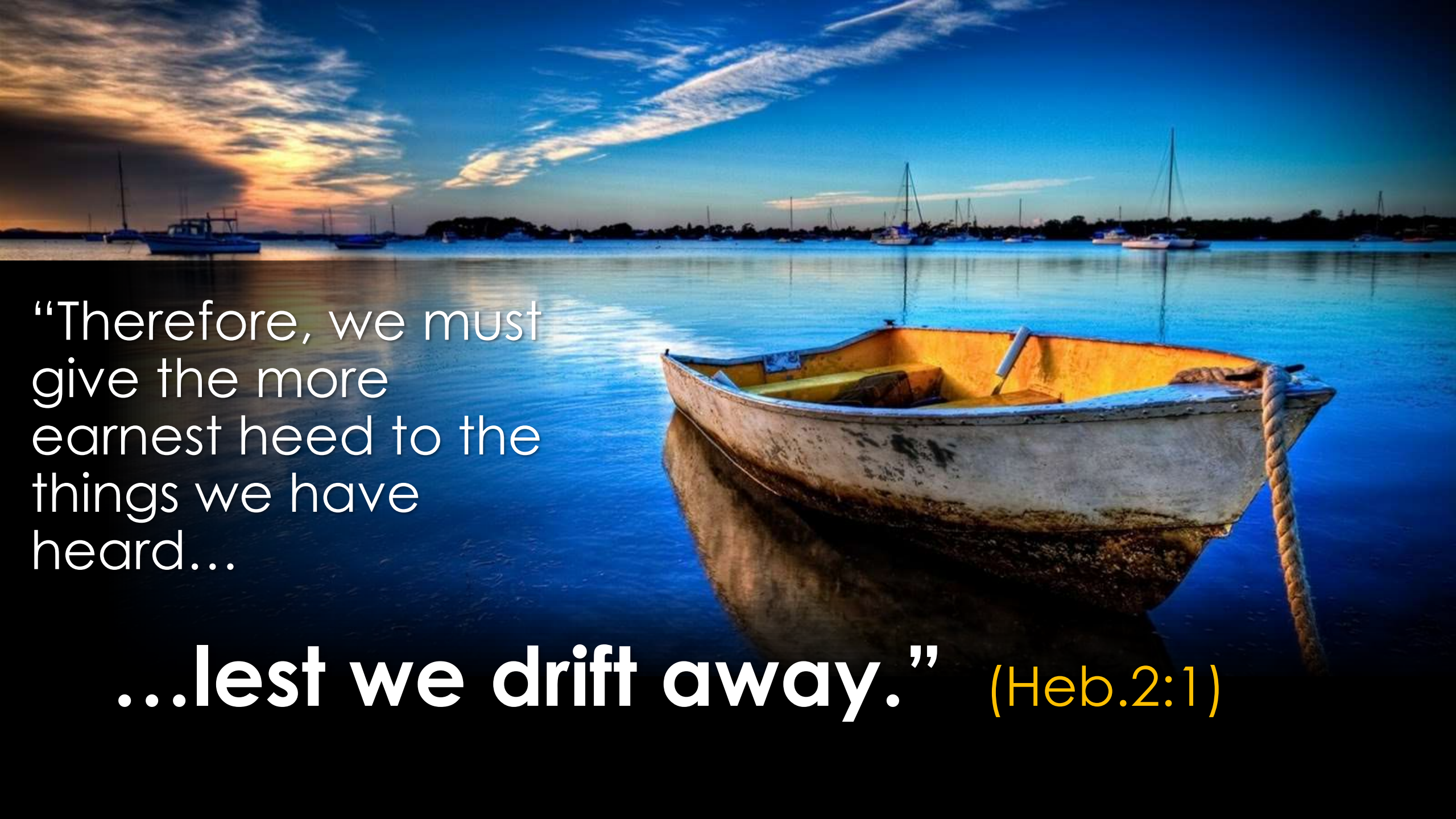
1 Corinthians teaches us to address problems – Not Tolerate them!

- Teach the ignorant
- Encourage fainthearted
- Warn the unruly
- Withdraw from impenitent



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