

- a. couples, verse 3, etc.
- b. individual men: vs 4, 8, 9, 10
- c. individual women, vs 6
- d. family members of the Apostle, 8, 11
- e. households, 10, 11, 13
- f. some unknowns 12, 14, 15
- g. summary:

2. Some observations on this company of believers:

- a. no indication of superiority or organization
- b. no mention of ecclesiastical duty
- c. it is assumed that each member took a proper role in the body.
- d. a common appreciation is noted for all and it must have been a happy fellowship indeed in spite of persecution and danger
- e. a common fellowship of help and witness is observed but this condition is revamped as time goes on. In the face of modern disputings and trials it makes us wonder what has gone wrong with the church. We may not be able to answer or to solve the dilemma but we may be able to put a Biblical perspective on the matter...an adventure in Scripture that will help guide us.

II. Men and Women Serving God: the Creative Order.

A. The facts of creation:

- 1. Genesis 1:26-27
- 2. Genesis 2:7, 18-19; 21-22
- 3. Genesis 3:23-25

*Clarify*

B. The Divine Intention

- 1. Genesis 1:28a
- 1:28b
- 2. Genesis 2:15 (a job for a lifetime with specific instruction)