

A Church In Crisis

THE BOOK OF 1 CORINTHIANS

Begin: take this time to hear how everyone is doing, and get settled in.

- What is something to celebrate this week?
- IceBreaker: Whitney Houston's hit song "Didn't we almost have it all" sadly tell us that that when we ought to have so much we still lack. How does this failure to deliver on promises made affect our view on life?

Listen: This is for reflection on Sunday's Sermon and thoughts from the message.

- What stood out to you about this week's message?
- Is there anything you still are thinking about or have questions about?

Discover: Take time to dig deeper into the passage/topic for this week.

- Read: 1 Corinthians 3:18-23
 - How does pride function as the root for what Paul addresses? How does human wisdom feed pride?
 - In what ways does Paul's warning not to be deceived help us avoid unconsciously adopting the world's standard of wisdom?
 - Why does Paul use the language this age and this world? How does the knowledge of another age and another world help refine your standards of wisdom?
 - What does it mean to "belong to Christ" (vs23)? How does remembering our identity affect how we view human leaders?

Apply: Take time to apply these Biblical Truths to your life.

- Describe an experience where the wisdom of God appeared foolish at first but turned out to be wise. In what ways will Christians need to wait for Christ's return to see God's wisdom ultimately prevail?
- How did the Corinthians' boasting in particular leaders cause them to lose sight of the greater gifts that God had given them? In what other ways does pride cause us to be shortsighted?
- How does competition within the church reveal a lack of love? How does rivalry suggest a lack of love for both God and others?
- MY ONE THING — What is your 1 take-a-way from this study and How will it impact your upcoming week?

Pray: Feel free to pray in a way that best fits your group. Take time each week to pray with and for each other.

Notes: Space for you notes from your time together. Memory verse at the bottom for your week.

"FOR THE WISDOM OF THIS WORLD
IS FOLLY WITH GOD."

1 CORINTHIANS 3:19A

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