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LIFE GROUP QUESTIONS

HEAD

- ✚ **Bad** company corrupts **good** morals. Therefore, let us be mindful of the company we keep.
- ✚ It is necessary that **ALL** of Christ's brothers and sisters be changed **mortally** and **morally** in order to enter heaven.
- ✚ May our wearisome and burdensome labor in the Lord's work be both **static** and **dynamic**, because we know beyond a shadow of a doubt that our labor in the Lord has purpose and produces results for His glory and our good.

HEART

- ✚ The sermon discusses how bad company corrupts good morals in the context of the Corinthians being influenced by Greco-Roman philosophy. What influences in our current culture might be subtly eroding our foundational Christian beliefs, and how can we guard against them?
- ✚ The passage describes our future spiritual bodies as being compelled by the Spirit of God rather than natural appetites. What would it look like to live more under the Spirit's compulsion now, even while still in our natural bodies? What would you have to say “NO” to?

HEART

- ✚ Paul says our labor in the Lord should be gut-wrenching, wearisome, and costly rather than casual or sophisticated. How does this challenge contemporary approaches to Christian service that emphasize balance and self-care?
- ✚ The sermon mentions that nearly half of Christians who attend church less than twice a month do not believe in the resurrection. What does this correlation between church attendance and belief in core doctrines reveal about the importance of Christian community?

HEART

- ✚ Paul shames the Corinthians publicly for allowing false teaching to infiltrate their church. How should we balance the biblical use of shame as a tool for repentance with our culture's rejection of shaming practices?
- ✚ The transformation from tunics of corruption to togas of incorruptibility represents a change in social status and identity. How should the promise of this future dignity affect how we view ourselves and others in the present?

HEART

- ✚ Paul mocks death, asking where is your sting and where is your victory. In what practical ways can Christians cultivate this fearless attitude toward death in a culture that avoids discussing mortality?
- ✚ The sermon emphasizes that resurrection requires both mortal and moral transformation. How does understanding that our future bodies will be morally transformed impact how we approach sanctification and holiness today?

HANDS

- ✚ Relationship Audit: List your five closest relationships. For each one, ask: "Does this person strengthen my faith or weaken it?" Pray about what changes, if any, you need to make.
- ✚ Resurrection Reflection: Spend 15 minutes this week meditating on 1 Corinthians 15:55-57. Write down your fears about death and surrender them to God.

HANDS

- ✚ Increase Your Labor: Identify one area where you can "abound" more in the Lord's work. This should be something that will cost you—time, comfort, or resources. Commit to it for the next month.
- ✚ Share the Hope: Have a conversation with one non-believer this week about the resurrection. Share why it matters to you personally.

HANDS

- ✚ Memorize Scripture: Commit 1 Corinthians 15:58 to memory as a group. Recite it together at your next meeting.

FIVE DAY DEVOTIONAL

Day 1: The Foundation of Faith

Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:1-11

✚ Devotional: The resurrection is not optional—it's foundational. Paul reminds us that Christianity stands or falls on this historical reality. Without the resurrection, our faith is meaningless, our preaching is empty, and we remain in our sins. But because Christ rose, everything changes. Today, examine your own belief. Do you truly embrace the resurrection as the cornerstone of your faith, or has it become merely a nice story? The company you keep matters—those who deny the resurrection corrupt good morals and undermine faith. Surround yourself with believers who hold fast to this truth. Your eternal destiny depends not on your good intentions, but on Christ's victory over death. Stand firm on this foundation.

Day 2: Life from Death

Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:35-44

Devotional: God specializes in bringing life from death. Every seed planted in the ground must die before it produces new life—this is the pattern of resurrection woven throughout creation. Your current body, frail and perishable, will one day be transformed into something glorious and imperishable. This isn't about escaping physicality; it's about transformation. The spiritual body Paul describes isn't less real—it's more real, animated by God's Spirit rather than earthly appetites. Consider areas of your life that feel dead or dying. God can resurrect those too. Your struggles, failures, and weaknesses are seeds waiting for transformation. Trust the God who raises the dead to bring new life from your darkest places.

Day 3: Two Adams, Two Destinies

Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:45-49

Devotional: You bear two images: Adam's and Christ's. From Adam, you inherited mortality, corruption, and dust. But in Christ, you receive immortality, incorruption, and heaven. This isn't just future hope — it's present reality shaping how you live today. You're transitioning from wearing the tunic of corruption to donning the toga of glory. In the ancient world, clothing revealed social status instantly. Similarly, your transformation in Christ changes your spiritual status from slave to royalty. Today, live as someone being transformed. When temptation whispers that you're merely dust, remember whose image you're becoming. You're not just forgiven; you're being remade into the image of the heavenly man. Let this truth fuel holy living now.

Day 4: Death Has Lost Its Sting

Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:50-57

Devotional: Death's power is broken. Like children mocking a caged lion, believers can taunt death because we're protected by Christ's victory. The transformation will happen in an instant—faster than light, quicker than a heartbeat. One moment mortal, the next immortal. This isn't gradual improvement; it's radical transformation. The tragedy is that God's law revealed our sin, and sin brought death. But the triumph is that Christ conquered all three—law, sin, and death. Today, live fearlessly. Not recklessly, but with the confidence that death is merely a doorway, not a dead end. Thank God for the victory already won. Let this certainty reshape your priorities, your fears, and your hopes. You're destined for deathless eternity.

Day 5: Labor That Lasts

Reading: 1 Corinthians 15:58

Devotional: Your work for God matters eternally. Paul uses a word for labor that means gut-wrenching, exhausting, soul-depleting effort. Kingdom work isn't casual or convenient—it costs everything. But here's the promise: it's never in vain. Every sacrifice, every act of obedience, every moment of service produces eternal results. Be steadfast—unmovable in your convictions despite cultural pressure. Be dynamic—always increasing, abounding, overflowing in God's work. The resurrection guarantees your labor has purpose. You're not working for temporary rewards but eternal transformation. Evaluate your service today. Are you casually serving or passionately expending yourself? The resurrection demands more than Sunday attendance—it calls for radical, costly, wearisome labor that changes the world. Give God everything. It's not in vain.

Closing Prayer:

Pray together, focusing on:

- ✚ Thanksgiving for Jesus' resurrection and our future resurrection.
- ✚ Confession of areas where we've been influenced by "bad company" or worldly thinking.
- ✚ Requests for strength to labor sacrificially for God's kingdom.
- ✚ Boldness to share the hope of resurrection with others.



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