

WEEK 6 | ONE PARADOX

Date: September 14, 2025

Verses: 2 Corinthians 5:14-21



SERIES INSIGHT

One Paradox is a walk through the book of 2nd Corinthians and the Paradox of the Cross. It leads us to live lives by Faith and not by sight. It challenges us to live according to what Jesus values, which is in contrast to the values of today's world. The question we'll wrestle with is this: what does the Cross mean to you?

ICEBREAKER

- If you could have the power of teleportation right now, where would you go and why?
- When someone new finds out what you do, or where you are from, what's a question they always ask?

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

1. **Review the Message.** Looking back at your notes and upon reflecting on this weekend's message, what was your one takeaway from Sunday?
2. Paul says Christ's love compels us. What does it look like in your daily life to be motivated more by Christ's love than by duty, fear, or guilt?
3. Share one area this week where you can choose to act out of Christ's love instead of personal obligation.
4. Paul declares that anyone in Christ is a "new creation." In what ways have you personally experienced God making you new?
5. Identify one old pattern, habit, or mindset God is inviting you to leave behind as you walk in your new identity.
6. God has given us the ministry of reconciliation. How can we practically live this out in our relationships—with family, coworkers, or even difficult people?
7. Think of one strained relationship in your life. What's one step you could take this week toward reconciliation, even if it's just praying for that person?
8. Paul says we are Christ's ambassadors. If someone looked at your life this week, what "message about Jesus" would they hear?
9. What's one practical way you can represent Christ more clearly in your workplace, neighborhood, or friendships this week?

PRAYER

Share requests and celebrate praise reports. Take time for your group to pray for however long is needed.

PRAYER FOR THE YEAR

King Jesus,

We pray for an outpouring for the presence of God in: our heart, our home, our church, our city.

That may result in an awakening that leads to transformation of: our heart, our home, our church, our city.



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