1 Corinthians 6:16-20

16 Or do you not know that he who is joined to a prostitute becomes one body with her? For, as it is written, "The two will become one flesh." 17 But he who is joined to the Lord becomes one spirit with him. 18 Flee from sexual immorality. Every other sin[e] a person commits is outside the body, but the sexually immoral person sins against his own body. 19 Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, whom you have from God? You are not your own, 20 for you were bought with a price. So glorify God in your body.

Discussion/Journal Questions

Share with your group your preference for physical touch. Are you a hugger? A fist bumper? Etc?

In the sermon, one of John's main points is that loving touch has the power to bond and to heal. How have you seen this in your own relationships?

Think about how you express your affection to your children, grandchildren, friends and family of God. What would make your touch expressions more meaningful to others? What would they appreciate from you? Think about the "individual differences" of those you are closest to and pray about the ways that you interact physically with them.

One aspect of the bond of touch is physical sex. How would you describe the world's theology of sex?

Read 1 Corinthians 6:16-20. In your own words, how would you describe the Bible's theology of sex?

Why do you think God takes sex so seriously?

What are some ways we can touch the lives of others apart from physical touch?

Read 1 John 3:11-18. How can we show our love for God through touch?

Who is someone in your life who could use some appropriate, loving touch?

Who are you praying for to accept Jesus, and what specifically did you do this week to interact with them?

Who are you currently discipling, and what specifically did you do this week to help them know, love, and follow Jesus?

Who are you considering for future discipleship relationships, and what specifically did you do this week to interact with them?