



COMMUNITY Groups

October 8, 2023 – Sermon Discussion Questions

ICEBREAKER

1. Do highs and lows from the last week!
2. What is something you've committed to doing for a long time and has paid off?

DIG A LITTLE DEEPER

1. Review the message –
 - a. Paul planted the church in Corinth after being abused by Jewish leaders in the synagogues
 - b. The culture surrounding the Corinthian church was hostile to their faith
 - c. Even though the church was a morality mess God still calls them "holy."
 - d. We manage the tension of our sin and God's love by focusing on his faithfulness.
2. Read Acts 18:1-11
 - a. As you read through the account of Paul planting a church in Corinth what obstacles do you see Paul facing?
 - b. Why do you think the Jews were so hostile towards Paul? Why do you imagine Titus Justus and his household were more receptive?
 - c. After going through what Paul went through what type of relationship do you think Paul had with the church of Corinth when he left?
3. Read Acts 18:12-19
 - a. The environment surrounding the church in Corinth was obviously very hostile towards Christians and their message. What do you think it would be like to be a Christian during that time? In what ways would you struggle to stay committed to your faith?
4. Read 1 Corinthians 1:1-9
 - a. How do you think Paul feels about the church in Corinth based on these verses?
 - b. Read through verses 1-9 again and note what themes you see. What is God doing?
 - c. You may not know this already but the church in Corinth was a morality mess! Why do you think Paul is able to call them "holy" and "sanctified" when there is so much going wrong in the church?
 - d. How do you reconcile in your own life God loving you despite the wrongdoings you commit?
 - e. In verse nine Paul says that God is faithful. How does God's faithfulness help us manage the tension of our sin and God still choosing to love us?

CLOSING

1. What's one way you can reflect, or remind yourself of God's faithfulness? When do you most need to remind yourself of it?
2. Pray