

November 5th, 2023 – Sermon Discussion Questions

ICEBREAKER

- 1. Do highs and lows from the last week!
- 2. What is an area of your life, or recent situation, in which you've had to practice humility? (Maybe a time you had to admit you were wrong or do something different than you wanted for the sake of someone else)

DIG A LITTLE DEEPER

- 1. Review the message
 - a. Humility entertains the idea that our interpretations can be wrong
 - b. Knowing that it is Jesus who both judges us AND saves us should lead us to humility
 - c. Speak your truth: Be honest about your experiences and curious about your own interpretations
 - d. Humility recognizes that I am not the source of goodness in my life
 - e. Humility is key in our desire to pursue racial unity

2. Read 1 Corinthians 4:1-4

- a. When Paul talks about the Lord judging him what do you think he's referring to? How does that make you feel to know that it is the lord (Jesus) who ultimately judges us?
- b. Paul is able to say that his conscience is clear, yet he knows he is not innocent. How can one have a clear conscience and yet know they are still a sinner?
- c. In our culture today there is a popular phrase; "speak your truth." Eric talked about how humility doesn't force us to abandon this idea but to do it in humility. How can we speak our truth with humility? (See point 1c if the group is struggling). Can you give examples?

3. Read 1 Corinthians 4:5-7

- a. What things in life do you have a hard time not judging... aka letting God be the judge of?
- b. When are you most tempted to see yourself as the source of goodness in your own life?
- c. RACIAL UNITY QUESTION: Paul encourages us to not boast because everything in life we have that is good is something we have been given. In our country, the unfortunate reality is that due to the history of slavery in our country some of us have more power than others. What should be our humble response to this reality? OR how can we recognize where we have power, and what the best use of that power is?

CLOSING

- 1. Name a specific area of your life where you'd like to grow in humility. What's one action step you can take this week to live that out?
- 2. Pray