



Bold Dependence

March 26, 2023

1 Corinthians 3:1-9

Questions for Study and Group Discussion

*** Before you begin, please read 1 Corinthians 3:1-9*

1. Share a time when you needed to depend on someone else to get something done. Is depending on others easy or difficult for you? Explain your answer.
2. Many people find depending on others difficult. Why do you think this is?
3. In 1 Corinthians 3:1-9, the Apostle Paul is concerned that the church in Corinth is becoming divided as they line up behind individual human leaders – rather than depending on God. Are there ways you see this same concern playing out today? How so?
4. Look especially at verses 5-7: What do these verses teach our absolute dependence on God?
5. How do verses 5-7 reinforce BOTH the importance of our individual, faithful contributions AND our dependence on God for true growth?
6. What is the “growth” God brings, that Paul mentions here? Use other Bible passages or biblical truth to support your answer(s).
7. Read the following Bible passages. After each, explain how they reinforce the importance of our dependence on God:
 - Psalm 20:7
 - Zechariah 4:6
 - John 15:5
8. What does it look like – practically speaking – to show the sort of bold dependence on God we’ve been talking about?
9. In what areas of your life personally do you need to trust in God and depend on Him? Why?
10. This sermon wraps up Brookside’s 4-part “Compelled to Care” series. Briefly review what’s been covered through this series, and what’s coming up for our church family. Why is it so important that we’re concluding with an emphasis on our dependence on God to work?
11. Finish your group time in prayer – praying for this Compelled to Care initiative, and expressing bold dependence on God in everything we do.