

The Right Stuff

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Getting Started

Take some time to catch up and connect as a group. Pray before discussion. Expect God to move through your time together!

Pacing Your Group

Move quickly through "observation" leaving enough time for "reflection", "discussion", and "surrender."

Scripture Reading

Re-read the scripture passages as needed when you discuss the questions.

Observation: What does this scripture passage say?

Read: 1 Corinthians 4:1-21

- 1. What challenge does Paul present about "judging" and "being judged"? (v1-5)
- 2. Why did Paul send Timothy to the Corinthian church? (v14-17)

Reflection and Discussion: What are some first thoughts flowing from the scriptures? Talk together about how the scriptures connect to everyday life.

- 3. Within verses 8-13, Paul contrasts the "conclusions" he has come to about his ministry with the "conclusions" that the Corinthians are coming to about themselves. There is quite a contrast. In verse 14, Paul states, "I am not writing this to shame you, but to warn you, as my dear children."
 - What was Paul warning them about?
 - Why is this important?
- 4. Throughout the book of 1 Corinthians, Paul warns about unhealthy attachments to spiritual leaders. When something or someone has been helpful to us, it is natural to feel a loyalty to that person, place, or thing. When do loyalties become a threat to our loyalties to Christ? Can you give an example?
- 5. In verse 16, Paul states, "Therefore I urge you to imitate me." What aspect of Christian living do you most hope to model for others? Why did you choose this?

Surrender: Responding to God's voice.

6. What is one thing God is saying to you through this study and discussion?

** Take some time to pray for one another in response to what has been discussed today **