God Will Destroy the Destroyers Discussion Group Leader Handout



Text: 1 Corinthians 3:16-17

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16 Do you not know that you are a temple of God and that the Spirit of God dwells in you?

17 If any man destroys the temple of God, God will destroy him, for the temple of God is holy, and that is what you are.

Questions

1. Do you have a ministry that are building into everyday?

- i. How does the Holy Spirit affect your ministry?
- ii. What struggles do you have in your ministry?
- iii. If you dont think you have a ministry, why is that?

2. Knowing that the Holy Spirit indwells both the individual believer and the universal church:

- i. How does your life affect those in the local church?
- ii. What happens when you are out of daily communion with Lord, living in unrepentant sin, in dispute with your neighbor, idolizing a mortal man, etc?
- iii. How are you contributing to the building of the temple on the foundation of Christ in your daily life?

- iv. What are some reasons in your own heart for not building on the foundation of Christ?
- 3. As Paul turns his admonishment to the unbeliever for destroying the temple or God's people:
 - i. How should we treat unbelievers both inside and outside of the local church?
 - ii. What are ways that unbelievers destroy, ruin, corrupt the church?
- 4. What are some promises from God's Word that you know as it relates to every believer and to the church?
 - i. What encouragement does that bring to you?
 - ii. How can you start or increase your ministry work here on earth?

Prayer Requests

- Pray that the believers of ABC would grow in faith believing and trusting in the Holy Spirit to strengthen their ministry work
- Pray for the deceived, righteous unbelievers both inside and outside of ABC to come to saving faith in Christ Jesus, the one foundation
- Pray for the leaders of ABC to faithfully shepherd, teach, and equip those who the Lord has given to them to oversee