

1st Corinthians #1

Faith Village Adult Education

December 3rd, 2017 (1 Corinthians 1: 1-17)

- 1) What do you know about the church at Corinth?
- 2) We know the Corinthian church had tremendous problems. Is it significant Paul *still* refers to them as "...the church of God in Corinth..." and "...sanctified in Christ Jesus..." (Verse 2)? Why?
- 3) In verse 7, Paul says the church at Corinth was fully supplied to do God's work—they "...did not lack any spiritual gift..." Is this true for us today?
- 4) Is it possible for a bunch of "Christians" to be the same in "mind and thought"? If so, why are there so many different churches? (Vs. 10)
- 5) Why was Paul glad he hadn't baptized any in the church at Corinth except Crispus and Gaius, as well as the household of Stephanas? (Vs. 14-16)
- 6) Is Paul de-emphasizing baptism in this lesson since Christ did not send him to baptize, but to preach the gospel? (Vs. 17)

December 10th, 2017 (1 Corinthians 1: 18-25)

- 1) What is the "message" of the cross?
- 2) Why was this message "foolish" to those who were "perishing"? (Vs. 18)
- 3) In what ways has God "made foolish the wisdom of the world"? (Vs. 20)
- 4) Why would God be pleased with this "foolishness" being preached? (Vs. 21)
- 5) Why was "Christ crucified" a "stumbling block to Jews" and "foolishness to Greeks"? (Vs. 23)
- 6) How does it make you feel to know that God's foolishness is wiser than man's wisdom, and God's weakness is stronger than man's strength?
- 7) How do we remember this truth more in our lives?

December 17th, 2017 (1 Corinthians 1: 26-31)

- 1) Would you have been insulted if Paul said you weren't wise, influential, or wealthy?
- 2) *Why* does God use "foolish" and "weak" things?
- 3) *How* does God use "foolish" and "weak" things?
- 4) How does God use *you*? Are you allowing it to happen? How do you know?
- 5) Why is Paul's statement in verse 30 so incredibly important? "It is because of Him that you are in Christ Jesus..."
- 6) How do we "boast in the Lord"? (Vs. 31)

December 24th, 2017 (ALL CLASSES CANCELLED FOR HOLIDAY)

December 31st, 2017 (1 Corinthians 2)

- 1) Shouldn't we have deeper knowledge of the scriptures than just "Christ and Him crucified?" (Vs. 2) What about matters such as the Holy Spirit, grace, church leadership and organization?
- 2) Was Paul against "eloquent" preaching?
- 3) How would you define God's "secret wisdom"? (Vs. 7)
- 4) How much can man discover about God *without* revelation? (Vs. 10)
- 5) If no one knows the thoughts of God except the "Spirit of God", how do people without the Spirit understand God?
- 6) Is there a message here for the necessity of baptism?
- 7) If the man with the Spirit can make spiritual judgment about all things, then why do Christians pass faulty judgment? (Vs. 15)
- 8) How do Paul's words in vs. 15 match up with Jesus' words, "Do not judge, or you too will be judged"? (Matthew 7:1)

January 7th, 2018 (1 Corinthians 3:1-9)

- 1) Paul describes two different categories of people in this lesson—the "spiritual", and the "worldly" (Other translations might say "*carnal*")
 - a. Who are these two groups?
 - b. What are their similarities and differences?
- 2) Do we have more "spiritual" or "worldly" people in the church today? How do you know?
- 3) How do we "plant" seeds?
- 4) How do we "water" seeds?
- 5) Are you a "planter", a "waterer", or both?

January 14th, 2018 (1 Corinthians 3: 10-23)

- 1) When Paul discusses building a foundation, what kind of structure is he describing?
- 2) Why was Paul an "expert" builder?
- 3) What type of foundations do we build?
- 4) What does Paul mean when he says God will "test our work by fire"? (Vs. 13)
- 5) What is the "temple of God" in this passage? How do we destroy it? How do we take care of it?
- 6) Will God really destroy *us* if we destroy the "temple"?