

SERMON DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

CONNECT

Each week, questions will be provided to help individuals and groups connect with the sermon and grow deeper in faith. The following questions, prompts and discussion points are meant to help guide both personal devotion and small group conversation. Be open and flexible to additional questions.

- Encourage everyone to share a highlight or lowlight from their week.
- Was there anything that caught your attention or challenged you from the message?

GROW

- Read 1 Corinthians 3:1-25. Consider Lectio Divina. Wait. Read. Listen Obediently. Pray. Abide. What words or phrases stick out to you? Anything you noticed for the first time?
- Brainstorm other passages in the Bible that speak to and address unity.
- Do you actually think it's possible for the Church to be unified? Why or why not?
- Consider your closest friends. In what ways do you agree or disagree? Why are you still friends? How can you apply this to relationships you develop at church or in the community?
- What does it look like to have "compassionate concern about the good of the other" in your marriage? In your friendships? With your children or other family members?
- Pastor Lyndsey mentioned three ways we can lean into unity. **Lead with Love** and **Compassionate Concern** the **Jesus Way**. What do each of these mean? How is the Platinum Rule more serious than the Golden Rule?
- Is giving up your own will part of your spiritual practice? Think of the last time you gave up your will for that of another. Was it difficult or easy? Why or why not?
- Re-read 1 Corinthians 3:16-17. Consider the idea of the Church being a temple. Compare and contrast the idea of our bodies being a temple.
- Read Jesus' prayer in John 17. Break it down into sections and discuss each one. Do you find the prayer encouraging? How so? Is there anything you noticed for the first time? What's your favorite part of the prayer?

PRAYER

Spend intentional time together in prayer this week. Share prayer requests.

Group leaders, I would love to pray with you with you this week? Please ask the group if you can share prayer requests with the pastoral staff this week. Thanks! - Pastor Lyndsey