



CHAPTER 5 | 5.29.22

Life Group Questions to consider:

1 Corinthians 5

v. 1-2

What practice has been reported to Paul?
What has been the response of the church to this?

v. 3-5

What response does Paul take and what does he want the church to do?
What is the result Paul hopes will be achieved by their actions?

v. 6-8

How is this situation like leaven in bread dough?
What is the “leaven” that needs to be removed from our lives? What “feast” do we celebrate that gives us an occasion to do this?

v. 9-13

What instruction from Paul’s previous letter had they misunderstood? What did Paul mean?

Compare vs 5 with vs 11. How do the specific instructions in vs. 11 help you understand what Paul meant in vs. 5, “deliver such a one to Satan...”?

Whose responsibility is it to judge those outside the body of Christ?
Whose responsibility is it to judge those who are within the church?

Matthew 18:15-17

What steps does Jesus instruct us to take if we become aware of sin in a brother’s life?
Where does the step Paul instructs us to take fit into Jesus’ teaching?

In his message, Craig suggested that community and connection are vital to the successful intervention when someone has been caught up in some sin. What are some of the mental (verbal?) excuses we might make to justify our refusal to confront a brother in sin? What are we afraid of? How do you think Paul would respond to our excuses?

What steps can you take to strengthen the sense of connection among the members of your Life Group?

PRAYER:

For each person in your group to know which next step God is calling them to.
Pray that they will have clear opportunities to see God work in their lives.
Pray that the group would surround the collective next steps and help encourage as they are taken. Pray for interactions with people far from God and for the group to be able to step into those conversations.
Now go and take your next step.
Go and BE the Church.