

I Corinthians 1:1-3 How was Paul called?

Are you called? If you are called what are you called to be?

What is holy? What does it mean for something or someone to be holy?

1 Corinthians 1:4-9. What is Paul thanking God for?

Who is the doer – who the receiver?

If you were to give thanks for what God is doing in your life what would you give thanks for?

If you were to give thanks for what God is doing in the life of your church what would you thank God for?

1 Corinthians 1:10-17. Have you ever been part of a group that did not quarrel?

How is group identity formed most often – positively (Working toward a common goal) or negatively (having an enemy or rival)?

How is personal identity formed – positively (things valued for their own sake) or negatively (comparisons)?

1 Corinthians 1:18-25 What is described as foolishness?

How does God save those who believe?

What does Paul mean by saying, “Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God”?

1 Corinthians 1:26-31. Are these words true only of the Corinthians or of all Christians?

By human standards are you seen as wise and powerful?

In 27-29 what is Paul talking about?

What sorts of things are people tempted to boast about? What things do you “boast of” in your heart?

How would you be changed if the only boast in your life was Christ?

I Corinthians 2:1-5. What is Paul emphasizing about Jesus? Is this a surprise? What would you expect Paul to emphasize?

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Read 1 Corinthians 2:6-9. If you were God what would you do to save the world?

In our society who is really important?

What is God's hidden wisdom that the world does not understand?

What does Paul mean by using the term "the world"?

Read 1 Corinthians 2:10-16. What point is Paul making? According to what he says is it possible to convince non-believers through reasoning?

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How can you distinguish what comes from human wisdom from what comes from God's wisdom?

Who is included in Paul's "we"?