Message Outline Church Shopping 1 Corinthians



Intro: "Church Shopping:" A look at the nine 1st century church epistles in NT...

• Last week, Rome: what it means to live "Jesus is Lord" where Caesar claims lord...

Background of Church in Corinth

- Letter written around 55 AD...
- Paul spent 1.5 years there founding church (cf. Acts 18)...
- Sea life: the impact of the isthmus...
- Sex life: temple to Aphrodite and moral impact...

Read: Acts 18:1-18

• The Bible Project: 1 Corinthians

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- Read: 1Cor.1:11-13, 3:1-11
- In the midst of fractions, follow Christ!

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- Read: 1Cor.5-7, 6:9-20
- Honoring God with our bodies...
- Sexual sins aren't "super sins," but they do mark us in a uniquely intimate way (6:18).
- Sexually broken finding restoration in Jesus (6:9-11, Jn.4, 8)!!!

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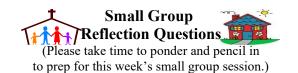
- Read: 1Cor.8-10
- Meat and the markets...
- Principle: put personal "rights" aside to not cause others to stumble...

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- Read: 1Cor.11-15
- Importance of edification (14:26)...

Appendix on Interpreting the Bible

- Progression of Scripture (cf. Gal.3:24-25)...
- Some things Jesus fulfills, some He keeps forever: ceremonial, civil, core laws...



*God is at work in this world. Where did you "see/sense" Him this week?

Read: Luke 15:3-7, 9:52-56, 10:25-37

*What is the difference between the way Jesus treats Samaritan's compared to many of Jesus' people? How can we treat people different than us like Jesus would treat them (be specific)?

*What is one interaction this week you think you <u>got right</u> in treating people in a Christlike way? What is one interaction this week you think you <u>got wrong</u> in treating people in a Christ-like way?

Movie Review: Ep.1 "Thunder" (~30min—Part 2.) *What do you notice in this episode about the tension building in the disciples' communication with one another?

*What strikes you about Jesus' end conversation with John about the Torah in the synagogue as they discuss worthiness, prejudice, and Jesus' identity?