

A Beautiful Mess - Discussion Questions

1 Corinthians 6:1-11

Instructions: A life group is a spiritual family. It is a time of mutual discussion, invitation, and growth together alongside the Holy Spirit. It's good to begin with prayer and 1-2 ice breaker questions to prime the pump and get to know one another. Then, after reading the Scriptures, <u>pick the questions that are</u> <u>of most interest to your group</u>. Make sure to conclude with a couple of application questions to live out our mission together. Finish with some time to care for one another and pray together.

Ice Breaker Question (pick 1-2 questions)

- 1. When you are wronged, are you more likely to stand up and fight for your rights or just let it go? Explain.
- 2. What is a challenge you are facing right now?
- 3. What is one thought or idea from Sunday's message that especially intrigued, provoked, disturbed, challenged, encouraged, warmed, warned, helped, or surprised you?

Read and discuss 1 Corinthians 6:1-11

- 1. Have someone summarize this passage in their own words.
- 2. Paul said "win or lose, you're already defeated" (vs.7). Why do you think Paul is so upset that those in the Corinthian church are taking disputes to the Roman courts?
- 3. How should Christians handle being wronged and cheated?
 - 1. Have you ever seen someone act this way? Explain.
 - 2. How is this different from how you naturally react?
- 4. In 6:9-10, Paul lists a variety of sins that the Corinthian believers continued practicing from their previous lives, from their old identity. Now read vs.11 again. What is our new identity in Christ? What other words can you think of that describe our new identity in Christ?
- 5. What do you think it looks like to live out this new identity in Christ? In other words, how has your life changed now that you follow Jesus?
- 6. What do you learn about people in this passage?
- 7. What do you learn about God in this passage?

Application

- How can you specifically live out this passage in the next few days? (Each person create an 'I Will' statement)
- 2. Is there someone in your life that you need to reconcile with? What are your first steps?
- 3. How can you bless someone else as a result of this Scripture and discussion?
- 4. How can our group bless someone in response to this passage?

Pray Together