

# LIFE GROUP DISCUSSION GUIDE

## SERIES: 1 CORINTHIANS

### MESSAGE: REAL WISDOM—GOD'S WAY

2:1-16

What one thought encouraged you the most from this message? Why?

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#### TRUTH TO OBSERVE | READ 1 COR. 2:1-16

- What did Paul want the Corinthians to know/experience (vs. 1-5)? Why?
- What (WHO) is God's true wisdom about (vs. 6-8)? Did the world see this?
- Through Whom does God reveal His true wisdom to us (vs. 9-10)?
- What is the role/purpose of the Holy Spirit (vs. 11-13)?
- How is a 'natural' person and 'spiritual' person different (vs. 14-16)?

#### TRUTHS TO DISCUSS

##### 1. WHEN YOU GO LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOR—GIVE THEM JESUS (2:1-5)

- Who are three people Jesus is inviting you to GO to pray, care & share with?
- What is something Jesus is currently doing in your life that you could share with another person, pointing them to Jesus & His desire to save them?
- What are some of the 'needs' these friends have that Jesus might use in their life to show them that He is real, cares, & wants to save them?
- Paul said he experienced weakness & fear. How might that be true of you?

##### 2. UNSAVED PEOPLE WILL NOT SEE/UNDERSTAND THE TRUTH ABOUT JESUS

##### CHRIST APART FROM THE WORKING OF THE HOLY SPIRIT (2:6-13) SEE 2 COR. 4:3-4

- How are some ways you can PRAY for your unsaved friends/neighbors?
- Discuss: It is good to give reasons for our neighbors to repent of their sins & trust Jesus to save them BUT we can't argue or force them to believe.

##### 3. RELY ON THE HOLY SPIRIT TO REACH YOUR NEIGHBORS FOR JESUS (2:14-16)

- Read the following verses & share what the Spirit wants to do in your life:
  - John 14:12-18, 26
  - John 15:26
  - John 16:7-15
  - Romans 8:9-17

- Share how you have recently experienced the presence, power, or peace of the Holy Spirit in your life. What was the result of that experience?
- Paul says every true believer has the mind of Christ in them (2:16) What does that mean to you? How can you experience Jesus' mind more in your life?

**WHICH OF THESE TRUTHS DO YOU NEED TO APPLY TODAY? WHY?**