## **LIFE GROUP DISCUSSION GUIDE**

**CRAFTED: 1 Corinthians** 

#7 Under Rowers for Jesus

What does it mean to be an "Under Rower" for Jesus? Is this easy or hard? Why?

## TRUTHS TO DISCOVER - Read 1 Corinthians 4:1-21

- \*How did Paul want the Corinthians to regard him & other leaders (vs. 1-2)
- \*What did Paul mean that he didn't judge himself but Jesus does? (vs. 3-4)
- \*Who alone is worthy to be JUDGE? Why? (vs. 5-6)
- \*What does Paul encourage the Corinthians to do? Why? (vs. 7)
- \*What comparisons does Paul make between himself & them? (vs. 8-13)
- \*What does Paul mean that the kingdom consists of power? (vs. 20)

## TRUTHS TO DISCUSS

- 1. A servant understands it is an awesome responsibility (4:1-5)
  - \*What about being a servant is hard for you?
  - \*Do you find it easy to see yourself as a servant of ALL people? Why?
- 2. A servant sacrificially puts the needs & best interests of others first (5:6-13)
  - \*In what ways do you struggle with pride? Why is pride so hard to deal with?
  - \*How do you sometimes live as though what you have & can do is not a gift from God, but is something you earned or achieved or accomplished?
  - \*Read 2 Cor. 6:4-10; 11:23-33 to see other experiences Paul endured. How does Paul's experience of sacrificially living for others help you?
- 3. A servant exhorts & encourages others toward spiritual maturity with words and their life example (4:6; 14-21)
  - \*Are you comfortable saying to people who know you well, 'follow me as I follow Jesus.' If not, why not?
  - \*What do you think it means that the kingdom of God consists of POWER?
- 4. A servant seeks to lovingly correct & even confront when needed (4:14-15)
  - \*What is the difference between shaming vs. admonishing someone?
- 5. A servant speaks the truth yet offers grace & forgiveness (4:14-16; 21)
  - \*Is it easy for you to admit when you are wrong? Why?
  - \*Is it easy for you to truly forgive someone when they wrong you? Why?

Which of these truths do you need to apply today? Why?



