

Sunday, August 13, 2023 - "Passages - Week 3 - 1 Corinthians 11:1" - Matt Mancinelli

Key Passages: 1 Corinthians 11:1, 1 Peter 3:15, 1 Corinthians 13:5, Romans 12:18, 2 Corinthians 12:9

- Feel free to read the passage(s) out loud as a group
- Allow the group to share freely about what stood out to them from the passage or from Sunday's message

Main Ideas

- "5 Lessons I learned from George Verwer"
- 1 Corinthians 11:1
 - Imitators of me...AS I IMITATE CHRIST
 - Earlier Paul warns of following him rather than Jesus
 - A specific way Paul followed Jesus: Laying down his life, putting others' interests first
- 1) There is a whole world out there that needs the Gospel
 - We have a lot...the Gospel readily available
 - 7000 languages (1500 have no scripture)
 - Download the app "unreached of the day"
- 2) You can't be a good disciple without carrying a pen
 - We're called to do something
 - We need to be prepared (1 Peter 3:15)
- 3) Hold on to long term relationships
 - Love people well
 - Not letting ideology get in the way of caring for others (1 Corinthians 13:5)
- 4) God works in the midst of our corporate brokenness
 - Where 2 or 3 are gathered in His name...there will be a mess" - George Verwer
 - Romans 12:18...where do we need to extend grace
- 5) God works in the midst of our personal brokenness
 - God uses us anyway
 - Doesn't mean we settle into our sin and brokenness (God wants us to grow and heal)
 - All of our lives are broken in some way...and we don't need to hide it
 - 2 Corinthians 12:9
 - We need to experience his extravagant grace and...keep on keeping on

Questions (Feel free to use all of these, some of these, or none of these)

1. Who in your life have you imitated as they imitated Christ? What did you learn about following Jesus?
2. How is God asking you to be more prepared for the things to which he has called you?
3. How have long term relationships helped you to follow God?
4. When was a time that you extended grace to a group or an individual? When was a time that someone extended grace to you?
5. How have you seen God work in the midst of your brokenness?
6. What is God inviting you into as a result of this message or passage?

Songs from the weekend:

[Glorious - *Martha Munizzi*] - [Everlasting God - *William Murphy*] - [Firm Foundation - *Cody Carnes*] - [Alpha and Omega - *Israel Houghton*] - [Our God Reigns - *Leonard Smith*]