

SERMON APPLICATION GUIDE

1 CORINTHIANS: A BEAUTIFUL MESS

1 Corinthians 1:4-9

DISCUSSION 1: GRACED

1. What are some of the ways we have been given grace in Christ Jesus (including both at conversion and in our Christian life)?
2. If we've been given these kinds of grace in Christ Jesus, what could that look like in how Christians should then give this kind of grace to one another?
3. What is one struggle, trial, discouragement, or temptation you're walking through in this season? What grace does God have for you through Jesus in this particular seasons? How can you walk in it?

DISCUSSION 2: SUSTAINED

1. Read 1 Cor. 1:7; 2 Peter 1:3-4; Ps. 34:10; 84:11; Phil. 4:11-13. What does it mean that we lack no gift and no good thing we need for following Christ until the end?
2. What are some of the ways, or means, God uses to sustain us?
3. How does God sustains us the way he forgives sin (Eph. 1:17), strengthens our weak hearts (2 Tim. 2:1), and equips us with gifts (Rom. 12:6-8)? Why are these important for us to remember?

DISCUSSION 3: FAITHFUL

1. Read 1 Cor. 1:9; 10:13; 1 Thess. 5:24; 2 Thess. 3:3; 2 Tim. 2:13; Dt. 7:9; Is. 49:7. What are some of the things it means that God is faithful?
2. What are ways you've experienced God's faithfulness in the past?
3. How does recalling God's faithfulness give you confidence and hope he will be faithful for what you're facing today and will face in the future?
4. How can this group remind one another and encourage one another about God's faithfulness?

Additional Resources

- Bible project [video overview](#) of 1 Corinthians.
- [Introduction to 1 Corinthians.](#)
- [The Gospel in 1 Corinthians.](#)