

The Cross and Your Work

1 Corinthians 3:10-15

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Introduction: What does it tell you that one of the most brilliant minds in history made this his Number One goal: "I want to know nothing but Jesus Christ and him crucified" (1 Corinthians 2:2)? Though it strikes our ears as narrow and anti-intellectual, for Paul it was just the opposite. Because for him this crucified Jesus was opening a breadth of life and a fresh way of thinking that inverts all of the old ways. And he does the same for Paul's sensitive readers today.

Prayer: Father as we prepare to open your Word together, open our hearts and minds to what you want to show each of us today. Grant us the humility to allow your Spirit to guide and direct us to your truth. Amen

Review: How did God help you with boasting this week? What did God show you about the things in which you boast?

Read: 1 Corinthians 3:10-15

Discuss:

1. What does it mean to build your life on something? Upon what or whom do people base their life choices?
2. Who are the people in your life that had a significant influence in building the foundation of your faith?
3. What are you building with? What spiritual practices (such as prayer, Bible reading, worship and service) have you found useful to build your faith?
4. How does being secure in Jesus affect what you choose to do? Who you talk with? What you say or don't say? See John 10:27-29, Philippians 1:6

Application: This week take some time to prayerfully examine what you are choosing to build your life on. Ask God if there is anything that should be added or taken away.

Prayer: Lord Jesus, we want to have lives built on a solid foundation. Lead us to the place secure in you that you have prepared for us. Amen