

FOLLOWING JESUS • IN COMMUNITY • FOR OTHERS

Broken: A Study In I Corinthians

I CORINTHIANS 1:1-25 | WEEK 1

Pre-Question

 Liz Roberts shared some of her Unfinished story during the weekend services. What was your reaction to her story? What has been good and/or difficult about your Unfinished journey? What challenges have you faced during this "movement of restoration"?

Opening Questions

- 1. In your opinion, what are the most divisive or disunifying subjects in churches today?
- 2. Describe a situation in your family, workplace, or neighborhood when a "non-essential" topic escalated into an ugly argument or fight. What happened? How did you handle it?
- 3. What's a question you would like to ask Pastor Carter about his message?

NOTE: This online resource will be helpful for leaders as we begin this study through 1 Corinthians: https://www.biblica.com/bible/online-bible/scholar-notes/niv-study-bible/intro-to-1-corinthians/

In the Word

- 1. Read the entire first chapter of 1 Corinthians.
- 2. What strikes you about the circumstance or situation of the church in Corinth? How would their culture be similar/different to ours? What difference does this make?
- 3. As you look at the entire chapter, given the situation, what two or three main points would you highlight?
- 4. Pastor Carter focused mainly on verses 10-17. How would you summarize his message on these verses in one simple statement?

- 5. The message had three major points: "Be unified in relationships," "Be unified in mind and thought," and "Be unified around Jesus Christ." How are the first two different from each other? Why would these key points be especially challenging for the Corinthians?
- 6. What does Paul teach in chapter 1 that relates directly to the point mentioned in Question 5? What else does Paul teach in the chapter that affects unity?
- 7. What hope does Paul provide toward the end of Chapter 1 (verses 26-31)?

Making It Personal

- 1. Within Pathway Church today and in our world culture, what issues tend to provoke people and create disunity? What issues, subjects, or topics are the biggest struggle for you and why?
- 2. How would you rate the level of unity in your small group and other relationships in the church?
- 3. When you consider the points from Question 5 above, what is the greatest growth area for you (relationships, mind and thought, unity in Christ)?
- 4. What step(s) do you need to take to bring and provide more unity in your relationships and in the church? Who can help hold you accountable?
- 5. Spend time praying for your small group and for the church: unity, growth, and pleasing God.

Continued Learning

1. When you consider disunity in your home, workplace, or neighborhood over unimportant issues, how can Jesus shine through you in those circumstances?

Additional Notes