DISCUSSION GUIDE
JUNE 24 & 25

# A STUDY IN 1 CORINTHIANS



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# **Broken: A Study In I Corinthians**

I CORINTHIANS 5 & 6 | WEEK 3

# **Opening Questions**

- 1. Have you ever known anyone who did something wrong and then bragged about it? What was it? Were there consequences?
- 2. Have you every sued someone else or been sued? Describe the experience and outcome.
- 3. Describe ways in which American culture demonstrates this belief: "My body belongs to me and I can do what I want to with it!"

#### In the Word

- 1. Do you have any questions would you like to ask regarding Pastor Slack's message?
- 2. Read 1 Corinthians, chapters 5 and 6 (Read them all at once, or read chapter 5 first then chapter 6).
- 3. What does Paul describe as the "sex scandal" in the church? What compounds this problem?
- 4. Paul rarely uses the word satan but he does in chapter 5. Why does Paul prescribe such extreme disciplinary measures here?
- 5. In 5:6-8, Paul mentions leaven and the Passover Meal. Describe how this image fits with the kind of lives God desires of Jesus' followers.
- 6. In chapter 6, what reasons does Paul give for NOT wanting Christians to take each other to court?
- 7. In 6:9-11, Paul lists a number of sins that should not characterize Jesus' church. Which ones stand out to you as the most problematic today and why?
- 8. What does Paul describe as the dangerous consequences for permissive and sinful, sexual behavior?

# **Making It Personal**

- 1. Which sins plague us the most today individually and at Pathway Church? What are the consequences for individuals, families, and the church today?
- 2. Are there church discipline practices that are missing in the church today? If so, explain. How would today's American church respond? Are there recommendations you would suggest for Pathway leaders?
- 3. If there would ever be a serious sin issue to threaten your Home Team, how would you deal with discipline as a group? If this has ever happened, how was it dealt with and what was the result?
- 4. In what ways do you need to flee from sexual sin or other sin in your life right now? Be honest in your sharing.
- 5. Spend time in repentance and prayer for individuals, families, and Pathway Church.

### **Continued Learning**

1. Describe people in the Bible who committed sins and suffered serious consequences. What should we learn from them?

# **Additional Notes**