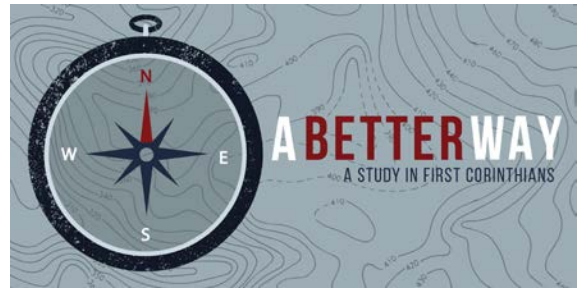


A Better Way: United

1 Corinthians 1:18-2:5

Life Group Questions – February 25, 2018



Connect

Share a time when you felt “foolish” for being a Christian. What did this do to your faith?

Study

1. What is the context of this passage? In other words, what issue is Paul addressing in this church in this section? Why does he do it this way?
2. **Read 1 Corinthians 1:18-19.** Why is the cross considered “foolish” to those who are perishing? Why is it the power of God for those who are being saved?
3. In your own words, what is the difference between a “theology of glory” and a “theology of the cross?” When are these in conflict in your life?
4. **Read 1 Corinthians 1:20-25.** What is Paul’s main argument here? How does God’s “upside-down” way reverse the way the world thinks? How do you sometimes think according to the wisdom of the world?
5. **Read 1 Corinthians 1:26-31.** Why does Paul remind the Corinthians of their own experience of coming to faith? In what ways do you find yourself boasting about things other than the cross of Christ? Why can there be no room for pride for a Christian?
6. **Read 1 Corinthians 2:1-5.** How is this section connected to the previous one? What is God’s method for sharing His message? How do you feel about that? Why can this be challenging to trust?
7. How do you feel about people thinking you are foolish? What does living in the foolishness and weakness of the cross look like for you this week?
8. Do you believe God could use you to share the message of the cross with someone? Why or why not?

Pray

Pray together thanking God for the power of the cross for salvation and for the courage to be unashamed of its message today.