



FIRST CORINTHIANS

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GOD'S WAY IS THE ONLY WAY TO TRULY GROW AS A CHRISTIAN. THIS BEGINS BY THINKING AND LIVING LIKE A BELIEVER. NOT AS SOMEONE WHO MERELY HAS THE SPIRIT BUT FOR WHOM THE SPIRIT IS IN CHARGE IN THEIR LIFE. A LIFE BUILT OUT OF THE GOSPEL THAT PLEASURES GOD AND REFLECTS HIS LOVE FOR OTHERS.

Read 1 Corinthians 3:1-17.

1. In what ways have you grown spiritually over the last few years?

2. What is the central point being made in these verses, and why is it so important for your faith (1 Corinthians 3:5-9)?

3. What does it mean that Jesus is the foundation of your faith, of the life you are building (1 Corinthians 3:11)? (see 1 Corinthians 1:18, 30)

4. If Jesus has already been judged for your sins, what is the focus of the judgment mentioned here (1 Corinthians 3:12-14)? (see 2 Corinthians 5:10; 1 Corinthians 9:25)

5. What does this passage say about the nature and purpose of the church (1 Corinthians 3:16)?

6. How might the fact that God's Spirit dwells with you encourage you to live in new ways today?

Holy Spirit, help me to build a life that aligns with God's priorities and reflects his love for those around me.