

# SMALL GROUP Q'S

We Preach Christ Crucified

August 28, 2016

I Corinthians 1:18-31

- 1.) What does it mean for a pastor to preach “Christ crucified” in his sermon? Is that what you long for when you come to church on Sunday, or are you hoping to hear something else ?
- 2.) What is the hardest aspect for you of owning your own desperate need ?
- 3.) How is the “message of the cross” a contrast to the messages of strength and success in our culture today? Are you ever embarrassed to talk about the gospel with a friend because the message is so odd?
- 4.) Will said, “If we don’t preach ourselves as desperately needy, then we don’t preach Christ crucified.” How does that fit with what Paul says in I Corinthians 1:17 and 2:4-5? What does this mean for our expectations of our human pastors and leaders?
- 5.) Have you ever been in a church that you feel regularly proclaimed something else other than Jesus as the primary thing you needed to hear? What was that other thing, and what was the primary problem with that approach to Christianity?
- 6.) Recall the story of the church with the “We Preach Christ Crucified” gate. How do you need to be “trimming the ivy” in your own life to be preaching this message clearly?



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