



Weekly Sermon Based Discussion Questions

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SCRIPTURES:

1 Corinthians 16:1-18, 22-24

DIGGING DEEPER:

1. Paul ends his hardest letter with affection instead of anger. What does that teach you about the way mature believers handle conflict, correction, and relationships that are complicated or messy?
2. “Church isn’t like a family, church is a family.” When have you personally experienced church feeling like real family — or maybe when it *didn’t* feel that way? What makes the difference?
3. Paul didn’t let the Corinthians’ dysfunction disqualify them from ministry. Why do you think we’re tempted to sideline messy people instead of discipling them? What does it look like to include people without ignoring their sin?
4. Paul challenged the church to give “as God has prospered” them. How do you decide what generosity looks like in your own life? What holds you back from giving more freely — time, money, attention, or trust?
5. The Corinthian offering wasn’t just financial; it was spiritual. How does generosity become a witness to the world that Jesus is real? Can you think of a time someone’s generosity toward you or others pointed you toward Christ?
6. Paul longed to be with the church, even when it meant great personal sacrifice. What keeps us from pursuing real in-person community today? What might we be missing when we settle for digital or distant relationships?
7. Paul told them, “Be alert, stand firm, be courageous, be strong, do everything in love.” Which of those five commands do you need to lean into most right now, and why?