

REDEEMER STUDY GUIDE



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GOSPEL CENTRALITY

1 Corinthians 15:1-4

Now I would remind you, brothers, of the gospel I preached to you, which you received, in which you stand, and by which you are being saved, if you hold fast to the word I preached to you –unless you believed in vain. For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received: that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures.

- What is the gospel? How would you explain it to someone who asked what “gospel” meant?
- Which aspect(s) (Kingdom, Cross, Grace) do you find yourself focusing on too much? Which aspect(s) do you tend to ignore?
- How do you struggle with daily resting in Jesus’ finished work for you? In what ways do you try to go beyond the gospel to something else? (Behavior, Hard-work, Self-image)
- How does sharing the gospel (evangelism) help make it fresh to us? In what ways do you find it difficult to share the gospel?
- Thinking about our daily struggles and challenges in life, how can we better remind one another of our identity in Jesus (successes and failures)?



WORSHIPERS

Colossians 3:16-17

Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, teaching and admonishing one another in all wisdom, singing psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, with thankfulness in your hearts to God. And whatever you do, in word or deed, do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God the Father through him.

- How do you experience the idea that we are “made worshiping” in your daily life?
- Do you view worshiping Jesus as a task to be completed or is it something that happens naturally as you grow in your faith?
- How do the worship 1, 2, 3’s help you understand how our worship extends across our whole lives? (One God: Father, Son, Spirit. Two Contexts: Gathered and Scattered. Three Audiences: God, Church, and World.)
- How does understanding our worship in this way free us in elements of style and culture?
- How does a more formal liturgy help you in “rehearsing” the gospel story during gathered worship?
- How does our gathered liturgy help inform our daily lives as a community? What specific elements do you find encouraging as we are scattered to worship?



LEARNERS

2 Timothy 3:16-17

All Scripture is breathed out by God and profitable for teaching, for reproof, for correction, and for training in righteousness, that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work.

- How do you incorporate reading Scripture into your life? How is this challenging for you?
Where are you currently finding it difficult to follow Jesus?
- How can we care for one another and learn together (discipleship)?
- How do you manage the tension in learning between information (2 Timothy 2:15) and transformation (Romans 12:2)?
- How does the community provide us a place to learn and disciple one another? How do you struggle to take advantage of the community God has provided in His church?
- What role does the Holy Spirit have in our learning (John 14:26)?
How can we pray to this end as we seek to learn and grow in our walk with Christ?



FAMILY

Acts 2:42-47

And they devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and the prayers. And awe came upon every soul, and many wonders and signs were being done through the apostles. And all who believed were together and had all things in common. And they were selling their possessions and belongings and distributing the proceeds to all, as any had need. And day by day, attending the temple together and breaking bread in their homes, they received their food with glad and generous hearts, praising God and having favor with all the people. And the Lord added to their number day by day those who were being saved.

- What challenges exist in being a part of a church family?
- How does belonging and committing to the church provide you with spiritual growth?
- How can you be an active member of the family of God and create space for others to be welcomed in?
- What does mission look like as a community of believers? Is it more/less challenging than being on mission alone?
- Does this community feel like a safe space for you to assess yourself honestly? If not, how can we create that space for one another?
- How does the passage in Acts help guide us in our life together as believers? What are some statements in this passage that challenge our experience with community?



SERVANTS

2 Corinthians 9:6-9

The point is this: whoever sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and whoever sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each one must give as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to make all grace abound to you, so that having all sufficiency in all things at all times, you may abound in every good work. As it is written, “He has distributed freely, he has given to the poor; his righteousness endures forever.”

- Where do you feel that God has gifted you to serve?
- Where do you prioritize your time, talent, treasure for yourself over serving God and others? Give specific examples in transparency and encourage one another toward sacrificial servanthood.
- Why does money specifically feel like such a challenging topic to discuss? How can our faith in Jesus inform and open us up to be more generous in serving God’s kingdom with our money?
- Do you struggle to trust God with your specific financial situation (whether good or bad)? Why is that?
- How can we glorify God in the stewardship of our time, talent, and treasure?
- How have you experienced God’s abounding grace when you have opened your hands in faith (v. 8)?



MISSIONARIES

Matthew 28:18-20

And Jesus came and said to them, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go therefore and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”

- What are some differences between a consumeristic mindset and a missional mindset when it comes to church involvement? Where do you need to repent of your tendencies to consume?
- How have you struggled with going and making disciples? Where have you been encouraged?
- Where are the areas in your life that you have an opportunity to be intentionally building relationships with those around you? How can you be seeking opportunities to share the gospel in these relationships?
- How can this community of believers encourage and support one another to make disciples?
- How does the promise that Jesus will be with you always empower you to live a life devoted to following him?
- Pray for opportunities to share the gospel with those God has placed in your life.

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