



Going Deeper Questions
Success and Faithfulness
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Sermon Scripture Passage

1 Corinthians 4:1-17

Fun icebreaker question

Would you rather be the smartest person in the room, or the funniest person in the room?

Discipleship Cycle: Debrief & Interpret

Did anyone do the "Respond Actively" exercise last week? What did you learn about God and yourself through that experience?

Quick Review: What stood out to you from this week's passage?

This passage is dense! What in this passage caught your attention, challenged you, or confused you?

My Story

This Sunday's sermon addressed how a worldly vision of success can interfere with faithfulness. What do you consider a marker or measure of success? How does pursuit of that marker help or hinder you to look like Jesus?

Dive Deeper

*Let's re-read the passage one more time.

- Circle / highlight any words or phrases that catch your attention.
- Underline what you think is important to remember.
- Put an X next to anything that confuses you.

*Faith: What is this passage asking me to believe about God or myself?

*Hope: What hope does this passage offer us as God's people?

*Love: What is this passage asking us to do? How do we put these words into action in our lives?

Discipleship Cycle: Respond Actively

Paul suggests that the Corinthians can learn to live a more faithful life by imitating Paul as he lives like Christ. We don't have Paul in our midst, but we have each other. Ask someone who you think is spiritually mature a question about how they are trying to live faithfully.

A special question for couples and families

How can you be regularly reminding your children or spouse that they are secure in Jesus? How might that change how your family views success?
