

## STUDY GUIDE

Messy; Expelled
WEEK OF November 18, 2018
1 Corinthians 5:1-13

## **CONNECT**

1. What impacted you the most from Pastor Troy's message?

## **GROW**

2. Read 1 Corinthians 5:1-13. Why does Paul react so strongly about the immoral brother in the Corinthian church and what does he tell them to do? What shocked Paul more—the sin or the church's attitude toward the sin? Why?

3. What are some of the reasons we overlook or ignore the sin in other's lives, especially in the church? What is the difference in dealing biblically with <u>sin</u> in the Christian community and becoming judgmental?

4.	From the yeast imagery, Paul gives in verse 6-8, what is his concern if this situation is allowed to continue without discipline?
5.	Why is discipline necessary for the church body? How does reflecting on the gospel impact the way we approach our sinfulness and church discipline?
6.	What is our responsibility when we see Christian friends not dealing with their sin? Why is purity within the body of Christ so important and what should we do when we see unrepentant sin in our church?
7.	If we fail to put into practice this tough teaching and hold church members accountable for their actions, what do we risk happening?
8.	Read Matthew 18:15-17. Why did Jesus tell his followers to take "one or two others" along if a brother or sister in Christ will "not listen" when you confront them about sin?

9. What did Jesus mean when He commanded believers to "tell the church"?
10. Read Hebrews 12:3-13. How did the writer of Hebrews view the Lord's discipline?
11. Given God's purpose in discipline, what is the right perspective to receive that discipline with? What is the end result of God's discipline?
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12. One of the reasons for the Lord's discipline is to create dependence on Him. How have you seen God use discipline to remind you that you are dependent on Him?