



STUDY GUIDE

Messy; Wisdom

WEEK OF September 16, 2018

I Corinthians 2:6-16

CONNECT

1. What stood out to you the most from Pastor Troy's message on Sunday?

GROW

2. Read 1 Corinthians 2:6-10. What is the relationship between spiritual maturity, the Holy Spirit, and the ability to understand God's wisdom?

3. What four statements about God's wisdom does Paul make in verses 7-8? How do the truths in these verses make you feel about your relationship with God and what should our response be in light of these truths?

- 4. How can you, or have you gained a greater desire and understanding of the “depths of God”?**

- 5. Read 1 Corinthians 2:11-16. What concepts did Paul contrast in these verses and what lessons in this passage apply to your life? What do you think are the spiritual things Paul said are given freely to all believers?**

- 6. What does it mean to have the mind of Christ, and when in your spiritual journey did the “mind of Christ” start to make a difference in your values, choices, and decisions? What have you done, or can you do to exercise “the mind of Christ” more fully in your life?**

- 7. Read Ephesians 1:17-20. What did Paul mean by “the eyes of your heart”? Why do our spiritual eyes need to be reopened occasionally?**

- 8. For what three specific areas did Paul pray that the Ephesians’ wisdom would grow (vv. 18-19) and why is each area important?**

9. What are some specific ways we can expand our understanding of God's hope, calling, riches, and power? What role does Bible study, prayer, and the Holy Spirit play in this process?

10. Which of the things Paul wrote about in I Corinthians 2:6-16 or Ephesians 1:17-20 could you use in your life right now?

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11. Where do you need the guidance of the Holy Spirit in your life this coming week, and what will you do differently in light of what you have studied on wisdom?

12. Who needs you to share the gospel with him or her this week? What steps will you take to communicate His truth to that person?