

Study Guide on 1 Corinthians 1:9-18; 3:1-9 **New Revised Standard Version**

Assign each person in the class one or more verses to study.
Each person should answer these two questions on their assigned verse.

1. What does this verse say?
2. What does this verse mean to me?
3. Discuss your answers with the class.

1 Corinthians 1:9-18

(1 Corinthians 1:9) God is faithful; by him you were called into the fellowship of his Son, Jesus Christ our Lord.

(1 Corinthians 1:10) Now I appeal to you, brothers and sisters, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you be in agreement and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same purpose.

(1 Corinthians 1:11) For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there are quarrels among you, my brothers and sisters.

(1 Corinthians 1:12) What I mean is that each of you says, "I belong to Paul," or "I belong to Apollos," or "I belong to Cephas," or "I belong to Christ."

(1 Corinthians 1:13) Has Christ been divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul?

(1 Corinthians 1:14) I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius,

(1 Corinthians 1:15) so that no one can say that you were baptized in my name.

(1 Corinthians 1:16) (I did baptize also the household of Stephanas; beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.)

(1 Corinthians 1:17) For Christ did not send me to baptize but to proclaim the gospel, and not with eloquent wisdom, so that the cross of Christ might not be emptied of its power.

(1 Corinthians 1:18) For the message about the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

1 Corinthians 3:1-9

(1 Corinthians 3:1) And so, brothers and sisters, I could not speak to you as spiritual people, but rather as people of the flesh, as infants in Christ.

(1 Corinthians 3:2) I fed you with milk, not solid food, for you were not ready for solid food. Even now you are still not ready,

(1 Corinthians 3:3) for you are still of the flesh. For as long as there is jealousy and quarreling among you, are you not of the flesh, and behaving according to human inclinations?

(1 Corinthians 3:4) For when one says, "I belong to Paul," and another, "I belong to Apollos," are you not merely human?

(1 Corinthians 3:5) What then is Apollos? What is Paul? Servants through whom you came to believe, as the Lord assigned to each.

(1 Corinthians 3:6) I planted, Apollos watered, but God gave the growth.

(1 Corinthians 3:7) So neither the one who plants nor the one who waters is anything, but only God who gives the growth.

(1 Corinthians 3:8) The one who plants and the one who waters have a common purpose, and each will receive wages according to the labor of each.

(1 Corinthians 3:9) For we are God's servants, working together; you are God's field, God's building.

Write the verse or verses you have been assigned in the space below:

Answer These Questions for Class Discussion or Study

1. What does the verse say?
2. What does the verse mean to me?