

A.L.I.V.E. Bible Study
Date: January 13, 2019
1 Corinthians 1:1-9

1. Who is Paul writing this letter to, according to 1:2 (other than just the Corinthian church)?
 - a. Those sanctified in Christ Jesus.
 - b. Those called to be his holy people.
 - c. People everywhere who call on the name of the Lord Jesus Christ.

2. Is this letter to you? _____

3. What is Paul recognizing, celebrating, and thanking God for in verses 4-9?
 - a. The grace given to them in Christ Jesus.
 - b. God's enrichment in their speaking.
 - c. God's enrichment in their knowledge.
 - d. God was showing that Christ really is who they Paul was proclaiming him to be by the works displayed in their lives.
 - e. They "do not lack any spiritual gift."
 - f. That God will keep them "firm to the end" so that they will be blameless on the day of our Lord Jesus Christ.

4. Is the grace given to the Corinthians the same as the way we usually think of grace (see also Titus 2:11-14)? Yes _____ No _____ Explain. _____

5. The Corinthian church, as we will learn throughout this letter, was famous for being really proud of their spiritual gifts. Was Paul affirming the way they thought of those gifts or was Paul redirecting the way they thought of their spiritual gifts _____

6. How does God show himself true and testify to the truth of Christ through your life and gifts?

7. If you seem to have Spiritual gifts, but do not show Christ by your words, your actions, and your faithfulness (firm to the end), do you really have Christ living in you? _____

8. According to verse 9, what are the Corinthians lacking in order to be blameless on the day of the Lord Jesus Christ?
 - a. They don't have all of the gifts that they need to be faithful to the end.
 - b. They have not learned enough yet about the Bible.
 - c. God is faithful and he is all they need.

9. What does this say about our future?
 - a. It's all a cakewalk because we have everything we need.
 - b. We are done because we are sanctified and God has already worked in our life. God's grace has done its work.
 - c. We are done. God doesn't want any more from us than some type of performance of the gifts that he has already given us.
 - d. The testimony of the past teaches about God's promise of faithfulness for the future.
 - e. We have what we need (gifts and, even more important, the faithfulness of God).