

A.L.I.V.E. Bible Study
Date: February 10, 2019
1 Corinthians 3:1-15

1. What did we talk about last week as we ended chapter 2?
 - a. This message (of the cross) is wisdom, to those with the Spirit of God.
 - b. The thing that makes the difference is the Spirit.
 - c. The Spirit of God gives us the mind of Christ.

2. How, according to 3:1, does Paul address the Corinthian church in this letter?
 - a. As mature people who live by the Spirit.
 - b. As people who are still worldly.
 - c. As mere infants in Christ.

3. Why, according to 3:2-3, did Paul give the Corinthians milk and not solid food?
 - a. They were not ready for it.
 - b. They were still worldly.
 - c. There was still jealousy and quarreling among them, proving that they were worldly.

4. Are we more like those who have the Spirit (And the discernment and mind of Christ it brings) and understand the message of the cross or are we worldly people with jealousy and quarreling who are mere infants? _____
Explain. _____

5. What does this jealousy and quarreling and division suggest about the Corinthians (or us), according to verse 4? _____
What is the alternative to being “mere human beings?” _____

6. Are you “only human” or are you more? _____

7. How does Paul put the roles of he and Apollos and others into perspective, according to 3:5-9?
 - a. He calls them “only servants, through whom you came to believe.”
 - b. He reminds them that “the Lord assigned to each his task.”
 - c. He says that neither the one who plants nor the one who waters is anything, but only God, who makes things grow.
 - d. He puts all the emphasis on God’s work and not his own.

8. How, according to 3:10-15, does Paul caution those who might be working in the ministry of God?
 - a. He says that no one can build on a different foundation that the one already laid.
 - b. He says that they should be careful about what they use to build and not build using worldly things on a Spiritual foundation.
 - c. He says that anything other than Spiritual materials will be exposed and destroyed, but that which is Spiritual will survive when everything else is destroyed.

9. What materials are you using to build in your life and the lives of others? _____