



Community Group Discussion Guide

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My Best

1 Corinthians 15:58

Before answering the following questions read 1 Corinthians 15:1-58 and for further understanding find 3 different translations of 1 Corinthians 15:58 and compare them.

Introduction

This weekend marks the beginning of a new ministry season at Brookside...we call this weekend "Kick-Off" Sunday. It's an exciting time of year! With that in mind I am really looking forward to be teaching through an incredible verse from the book of 1 Corinthians.

After giving his readers a thorough explanation regarding the resurrection, the Apostle Paul makes a statement that is well worth committing to memory. It's a "charge" to followers of Christ that is incredibly impactful as we think about the things we give our lives to.

As we look at this passage we'll answer these important questions: "How should I think about my role in God's work in the lives of others?" and "Why should I give myself fully to that work?" I'm confident that if we take Paul's words to heart we'll be very glad we did!

Questions for Study

1. If you were to summarize in 2-3 sentences Paul's main point in 1 Cor 15:1-57, what would you say?
2. This is the kind of verse (1 Cor 15:58) that "gets you out of bed in the morning!" Why is that so?
3. What does it mean to "stand firm" or to be "immovable"? Why do you think Paul uses these kinds of words?
4. What are the things that Paul urges his readers to be "steadfast" and "immovable" about? Said differently, what are the core things about the Christian faith that cannot be compromised?
5. Describe a person you know who you'd say: "gives themselves fully to the work of the Lord."
6. Why is your labor or your toil "in the Lord" not in "vain"?
7. As you think about this season of life, how can you "give yourself fully to the work of the Lord"? Why would you want to do so?