

God's Beautiful Messy Church
Week's Reading: 1 Corinthians 6:1-11
Discussion Guide: April 24, 2022

CHECK UP:

Memory Work Review: If your brother or sister sins, go and point out their fault, just between the two of you. If they listen to you, you have won them over. – Matthew 18:15

Has there been a particular truth from Easter week that has been a consistent challenge/reminder to you?

OPEN:

- What stood out from this past week's reading?
- When do you think it is ok to and not ok to file a lawsuit against someone?

READ and ASK: 1 Corinthians 6:1-11

- Why was Paul disturbed by the practice of the Christians bringing their disputes before non-Christians?
 - o Why is Paul's concern something important for us to keep in mind today?
- What is typically your response when you have been wronged?
 - o How does this text challenge you?
 - o How does Paul's teaching align with Jesus's teaching on this subject?
 - o Why is it better to be wronged than to take another Christian to court?
 - o What should you do if you feel you have been wronged by another Christian? (think back to 1 Cor 5)
- What did the fact that the Corinthians were suing each other prove about them?
 - o Often times, we can fixate on particular sins listed in this passage. Without downplaying the fact that the things Paul's lists are indeed sin, what should it tell us that Paul is confronting Christians who sue each other (a sin we typically think "little" of) when he makes this list?
- What is significant about Paul reminding them of their true identity in Christ?
 - o How should the knowledge of Jesus' redemptive work motivate you to abandon sin in your life?

APPLY:

- Was there any new teaching in this text that you had not heard or thought of before?
- What do you want to remember the next time you are wronged by another Christian?
- NEXT STEP: What is one key take away for you from this passage?

Memory Work:

And that is what some of you were. But you were washed, you were sanctified, you were justified in the name of the Lord Jesus Christ and by the Spirit of our God. 1 Corinthians 6:11

Next Week's Reading:

1 Corinthians 6:12-20