

NIV MEMORY VERSE: 1 Corinthians 1:9

God, who has called you into fellowship with his Son Jesus Christ our Lord, is faithful.

Building Foundation Faith 11-1**"CORINTHIAN CONFUSION"
READ 1 Corinthians 1:1-2:16****DAY 1 READ 1 Corinthians 1:1-2:16**

1. Share something you remember from our last Bible study.
2. In today's reading, how did Paul acknowledge . . .
 - a. . . . a spirit of division?
 - b. . . . a spirit of unity?

DAY 2 REVIEW 1 Corinthians 1:1-3

3. The church at Corinth was founded on Paul's second missionary journey. From **Acts 18:1-19:1** answer these questions:
 - a. When Paul went to Corinth, with whom did he stay and what was their common profession?
 - b. When the Jews resisted/opposed Paul's message, he went to whom in vs. 6?
 - c. What words of encouragement did the Lord give Paul?
 - d. How long was Paul in Corinth before being forced to leave?
 - e. Who was Sosthenes?
 - f. Paul, Priscilla and Aquila departed for Ephesus. Whom did the couple meet and how did they further his knowledge of Christ?
 - g. Paul arrived back in Ephesus. From Acts 19:1, where had Apollos gone to preach?
4. In the opening statement of his letter to the church at Corinth, how did Paul establish his authority?
5. In verse 2 Paul wrote to "all those everywhere . . ." What is the value to us today of studying about an early church in Corinth?

DAY 3 REVIEW 1 Corinthians 1:4-17

6. What had the Corinthian Christians received through the grace of God in verses 4-7?
7. What assurance did Paul give them about God?

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DAY 3 (Continued) REVIEW 1 Corinthians 1:4-17

8. a. What was his plea?
 - b. From the questions in verse 13, what wrong emphasis had apparently become prevalent in Corinth?
9. a. For what purpose did Christ send Paul?
 - b. Paul did not negate baptism, but magnified the cross of Christ. How did Paul describe baptism's association with the cross of Christ in Romans 6:3-5?
10. Jesus Christ is the source of all Christian unity. What was Paul's statement in Ephesians 4:4-6?

DAY 4 REVIEW 1 Corinthians 1:18-31

11. How did Paul describe the message of the cross?
12. a. God's plan is to save men through what means?
 - b. Why would both Jewish scholars and Greek debaters find the message unpalatable in verse 22?
 - c. Read Deuteronomy 21:22,23. Why would Christ be a stumbling block to the Jew?
 - d. Read Isaiah 55:8,9. Why would God's plan seem foolishness to the Gentiles?
13. a. In verse 26, how did Paul remind both the Corinthian believers and us of God's grace?
 - b. What do you feel when you read that verse? Please share.
14. God chose the . . .
 - a. foolish things of the world to _____,
 - b. weak things of the world to _____,
 - c. things that are not to _____,
 - d. so that _____.

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DAY 4 (Continued) REVIEW 1 Corinthians 1:18-31

15. a. By the grace of God they were in Christ Jesus. What had Christ become for them?
- b. According to James 3:17, how is wisdom from God described?
16. Follow the directive of verse 31 (Jeremiah 9:24). What is your “boast in the Lord?” Please share.

DAY 5 REVIEW 1 Corinthians 2:1-16

17. Paul faced considerable opposition in establishing the church at Corinth both from the Jews and the pagan culture of the city. Upon what did the apostle depend for results?
18. In verses 6-10, how did Paul describe the revelation of God’s wisdom?
19. a. Why have believers received the Spirit who is from God?
- b. How did Paul describe the spiritual man in verses 13-16?
- c. What did Jesus promise concerning the Holy Spirit in John 16:12-15?
20. Think and share – What difference does it make to your day-to-day life by knowing you have a readily available source of intimate information about God?

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LECTURE NOTES:

PRAYER REQUESTS: