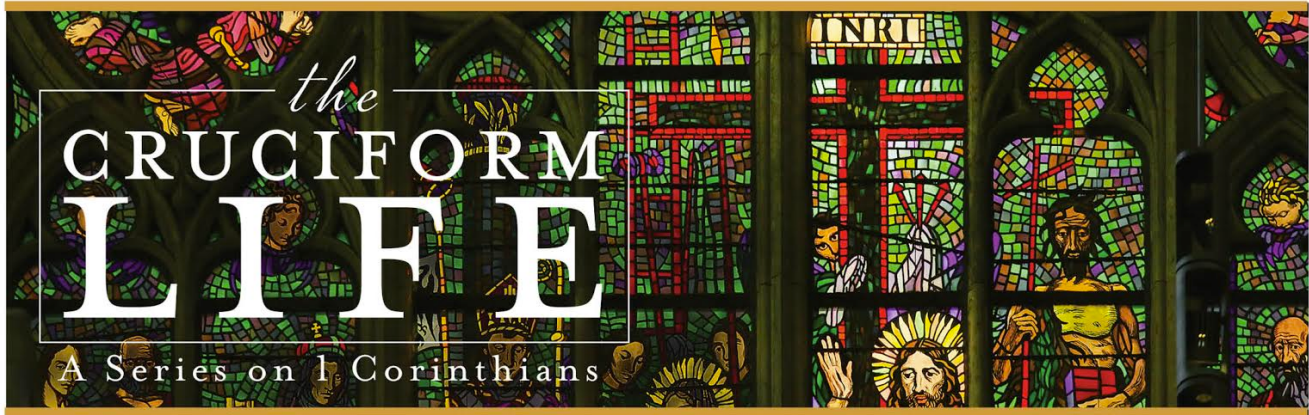




REFLECTION GUIDE

2018 Lent Sermon Series



This week, Corey continued our series on 1st Corinthians.

READ

1 Corinthians 3:21 - 4:6

REFLECT

1. Corey began the sermon by quoting Dallas Willard: "God is far more interested in who you are and what you are becoming than what you do or have accomplished." How would you begin to describe your identity? What obstacles are keeping you from the person you want to become?
2. Tim Keller delineates between traditional culture and its assertion that people think too highly of themselves and modern western culture and the idea that people think too lowly of themselves. How does Paul change this paradigm of self-esteem and personal identity in this text?
3. CS Lewis wrote "Pride gets no pleasure out of having something, only out of having more of it than the next man." How do you experience the competitiveness of pride?

PRAY

- + Confess to God how often we give in to our ego.
- + Ask God to help us better live in the identity He has given to us.
- + Thank God for providing cruciform identity.
- + Pray for spiritual renewal and revival in our community.

PRACTICE

- + Corey ended the sermon by speaking on how Paul describes how we can get a new self, a cruciform identity. Christianity is the only religion that doesn't place the premium of identity on performance. What significance does this have in your life? What practical steps can you take this week to live in this identity?
- + With your group, spend some time thinking of aspects of your life where you focus performance. What would change if you leave behind performance behind in order to find your identity in the Cross of Christ? How might this transformation change your perspective and actions?