

WALK THE TALK //////////////////////////////////////

This page is designed for you to apply what you have learned from the Scriptures. Our goal is not just “to know” but to “act upon what we know.” (His Word, Our Walk!) We encourage you to discuss the following questions with family, friends and your group.



FOR DISCUSSION:

1. How would you explain the first few chapters of 1 Corinthians?
2. What is the overarching concern of Paul in this section of Scripture?
3. Why did Paul list the building materials and what did you learn about them?
4. Why is Paul focusing on the Temple?
5. What application can you take away from this study?

SCRIPTURES

1Cor. 3:9 *For we are co-workers in God's service; you are God's field, God's building.*
1Cor. 3:10 *By the grace God has given me, I laid a foundation as a wise builder, and someone else is building on it. But each one should build with care. 11 For no one can lay any foundation other than the one already laid, which is Jesus Christ. 12 If anyone builds on this foundation using gold, silver, costly stones, wood, hay or straw, 13 their work will be shown for what it is, because the Day will bring it to light. It will be revealed with fire, and the fire will test the quality of each person's work. 14 If what has been built survives, the builder will receive a reward. 15 If it is burned up, the builder will suffer loss but yet will be saved—even though only as one escaping through the flames.*
1Cor. 3:16 *Don't you know that you yourselves are God's temple and that God's Spirit dwells in your midst? 17 If anyone destroys God's temple, God will destroy that person; for God's temple is sacred, and you together are that temple.*

LEARNING WITH PICTURES



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TWO LESSONS FOR THIS SERIES

1. It is said that “a picture is worth a thousand words,” and Paul uses that idea to _____ his message in chapter 3.
2. The focus is that God _____ the church and that His people need to work toward _____.

LET'S REVIEW

1. The Apostle Paul lived in Corinth for 18 months on his _____ missionary journey. Several years later, after hearing of some _____ in the church, he wrote this letter to them.
2. He began by reminding the people of the blessings of knowing Christ: _____, _____ and _____.
3. The purpose of this letter was to correct at least _____ spiritually unhealthy lifestyle _____ — the first being divisions.
4. In chapter 3, Paul uses _____ pictures. (*Babies, Follow the Leader, A Garden, A Building, A Bonfire, A Temple & Wise vs. Fools*)
5. He also explains how he perceives these people: _____ (ψυχικός, psychikos); _____ (σαρκικός, sarkikos); and _____ (πνευματικός, pneumatikos).

6. In this passage Paul gets specific about church divisions and what happens to _____ builders, _____ builders and even destroyers.

THE BUILDERS

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1. The metaphor changes from _____ and leaders to buildings and _____.

a. Note that it also changes from _____ people (Paul and Apollos) to _____ people (someone else, no one, anyone, each person, the builder).

b. Apparently, there are other “leaders” who are using the “_____” (sophia) Paul talked about in the preceding chapter. Without naming them specifically Paul is encouraging caution and _____.

2. Paul was given a _____ (grace, charis, χάρις) as a _____ builder (architektōn, ἀρχιτέκτων) to lay a _____. This kind of architect would _____ and build.

3. The _____ was Jesus Christ and that has been done, _____ for all, and no other foundation will _____.

4. Now someone else (after Apollos) is _____ upon the foundation that Paul laid. But anyone who builds should “build with _____.”

5. There are many _____ of building materials: gold, silver, costly stones, wood, hay and straw. Each of these building materials will be _____ by fire. On that Day, we will know what every builder has _____ accomplished.

6. For the person who builds with _____ materials (gold, silver, costly stones) there will be a _____.

7. For the builder who uses _____ material (wood, hay and straw) the reward will be _____. The person still has the gift of _____, but only as a “*stick snatched from the fire.*”

Amos 4:11 . . . You were like a burning stick snatched from the fire, yet you have not returned to me,” declares the LORD.

THE DESTROYERS

1Cor. 3:16 Don't you know that you yourselves are God's temple and that God's Spirit dwells in your midst? 17 If anyone destroys God's temple, God will destroy that person; for God's temple is sacred, and you together are that temple.

1. “Don't you _____” is a phrase that Paul often uses for emphasis. It is used _____ times in this letter. (3:16; 5:6; 6:2, 3, 9, 15, 16, 19; 9:13, 24.)

2. Paul explains the _____ of building they are — God's _____. (The Temple in Corinth)

1Cor. 3:9 . . . you are God's field, God's building.

3. When God's people are together as the _____ (Temple), the Holy Spirit is _____ them and they are the _____ church.

4. But _____ to the person who seeks to _____ the Church because God's “Temple” is _____. That person can expect to be _____.

5. The Corinthians are _____ one more time that when they are _____ they are _____ Temple (church).

THE APPLICATION

1. Sometimes people talk about being a Christian and not _____ to be a part of a church or even _____ church. However, this passage indicates the power of a _____ church and the presence of God in a _____ church.

2. The study of building materials should make all believers _____ the question about which materials they are using.
How can I _____ what materials I'm using?

a. Your _____

b. Your _____

3. What kind of materials are you using to build your _____ or to build a relationship with your _____?