



1 Corinthians: Love Builds Up
The Greatness of Our Weakness
 1 Corinthians 1:26 – 2:5
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The 1st Corinthians Question: How do we live as disciples of Jesus and function together as his Church in an overwhelmingly unbelieving world?

5 Common Realities all Believers Share

1. Common
2. Common
3. Common
4. Common
5. Common

Key Question: How does God communicate and demonstrate his wisdom and power in the world?

Answer One: Through Christ and His Cross (1:18-25)

Answer Two:

Called in Weakness (26-29)

Weakness turned to Wisdom (30-31)

One Message (2:1-2)

Power Filled Faith (2:3-5)

How might our lives look in light of these realities?

Supporting Scripture

1 Cor. 13:13

1 Cor. 1:25

1 Cor. 4:20

Jer. 9:23-24

Next Week: 1 Corinthians 2:6-16

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<p style="text-align: center;">1 Corinthians: Love Builds Up The Greatness of our Weakness Growing together in a Greater Love – Discipleship Guide</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">1 Cor. 1:26-2:5</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Get together as a family or with a friend or group of friends this week!</p> <p>Start with <u>Prayer</u> -ask Jesus to guide your time together. Go over prayer requests together.</p> <p><u>Read the Text</u> -read the text together. (1 Cor. 1:26-2:5)</p> <p><u>Discussion Guiding Questions:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. When we share about our weaknesses with one another what kind of posture and attitude is required of us? 2. Why is it so uncomfortable and difficult to share about our weakness? 3. How have you seen God demonstrate his wisdom and power through your own weakness? 4. Discuss how Paul was a living testimony of one who led from his weakness rather than his strengths. How does God turn our perceived weaknesses to strength? How does this display his power at work within us? 5. What was the singular message that Paul aimed his life and ministry towards proclaiming? (1 Cor. 2:1-2) 6. Why was it so important for Paul to be transparent and vulnerable regarding his posture as he came to the people of God in Corinth? (1 Cor. 3-5). <p><u>Questions towards Spiritual Growth & Discipleship:</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. How does this text challenge you to grow in a greater love for God? 2. How are you motivated to grow in a greater love for others? 3. How might Jesus be motivating you apply some of the principles from this passage to your family, career, community, or church? 4. How might Jesus be using you to draw those that do not know him, unto himself? 5. How will you pray for each other between now and next time you meet? 	<p><u>Supporting Scripture</u> 1 Cor. 1-13 1 Cor. 13:13 1 Cor. 1:25 1 Cor. 4:20 Jer. 9:23-24</p> <p><u>Prayer Requests</u></p> <p>Family</p> <p>Church</p> <p>Community</p> <p>Career/Friends</p> <p>Other</p>