



Community Group

Study Guide

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1 Corinthians 6:1-11

Dealing with Conflict

- 1) If you are not currently in a conflict there is surely one just around the corner. As Christians we are called to be peacemakers by nature (see Matt. 5:9; 2 Cor. 5:18-19). How does that change your view going into conflict? How can we forgive? (See Eph. 4:31-32).
- 2) There are several reasons to deal with conflict within the church (not to take it to secular courts). First of all, (v.2-3) we will be judges in the next life. How does it help your view of conflict when you think that this life is just preparation for eternal life?
- 3) A second reason to keep conflict in the church is because, of all people, Christians should have the ability to discern. (1 Cor. 2:15-16)? When do we lose our ability to discern?
- 4) A third reason to keep conflict within the church is because of the damage we do to our reputation (6-7a). “Why not rather be wronged?” Discuss.
- 5) A final thing to consider when dealing with conflict is our personal gain from knowing Christ (7b-11). We no longer belong to the world of lost people. What does it mean that you were “washed”, “set apart”, and “justified”? What difference does that make in relation to conflict?