## Sermon Notes / 1 Corinthians 16

# GOSPEL TRANSFORMATION

1 CORINTHIANS

#### 1. The Carnal

Factions (1-4); Sex (5-6); Married/Single (7); Idols (8-10); Meetings (11).

#### 2. The Spiritual

Gifts, Love, Prophecy (12-14); The Resurrection (15).

3. The Practical- (16)

#### 1. Be intentional with your plan for giving

Now concerning[a] the collection for the saints: as I directed the churches of Galatia, so you also are to do. 2 On the first day of every week, each of you is to put something aside and store it up, as he may prosper, so that there will be no collecting when I come. 3 And when I arrive, I will send those whom you accredit by letter to carry your gift to Jerusalem. 4 If it seems advisable that I should go also, they will accompany me.

#### 2. Be intentional with your plan for life

5 I will visit you after passing through Macedonia, for I intend to pass through Macedonia, 6 and perhaps I will stay with you or even spend the winter, so that you may help me on my journey, wherever I go. 7 For I do not want to see you now just in passing. I hope to spend some time with you, if the Lord permits. 8 But I will stay in Ephesus until Pentecost, 9 for a wide door for effective work has opened to me, and there are many adversaries.

10 When Timothy comes, see that you put him at ease among you, for he is doing the work of the Lord, as I am. 11 So let no one despise him. Help him on his way in peace, that he may return to me, for I am expecting him with the brothers.

12 Now concerning our brother Apollos, I strongly urged him to visit you with the other brothers, but it was not at all his will[b] to come now. He will come when he has opportunity.

#### 3. Be intentional with your plan for faith

13 Be watchful, stand firm in the faith, act like men, be strong. 14 Let all that you do be done in love.

#### 4. Be intentional with your plan for church

15 Now I urge you, brothers[c]—you know that the household[d] of Stephanas were the first converts in Achaia, and that they have devoted themselves to the service of the saints— 16 be subject to such as these, and to every fellow worker and laborer. 17 I rejoice at the coming of Stephanas and Fortunatus and Achaicus, because they have made up for your absence, 18 for they refreshed my spirit as well as yours. Give recognition to such people.

#### **Greetings**

19 The churches of Asia send you greetings. Aquila and Prisca, together with the church in their house, send you hearty greetings in the Lord. 20 All the brothers send you greetings. Greet one another with a holy kiss.

21 I, Paul, write this greeting with my own hand. 22 If anyone has no love for the Lord, let him be accursed. Our Lord, come![e] 23 The grace of the Lord Jesus be with you. 24 My love be with you all in Christ Jesus. Amen.

Big idea: Be intentional with your plans!

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### **Prayer Prompts:**

- 1. Thank the Lord for all that he has done in your life the past year.
- 2. Ask God to continue to guide and lead you.
- 3. Ask God to strengthen your affection for your families and this church family.

#### **Questions:**

- What stood out from the sermon?
- Of the two ditches that were discussed (hyper sensibility and hyper spirituality), which do you more often lean towards?
- How do you make plans and keep them open to the Lord?
- What are some of your plans that you have for your faith and life?
- -What is one area of life that you can start to make a plan for?