

CHILDISH (NOT CHILD-LIKE) FAITH

1 Corinthians 3.1-4

SPIRITUAL IMMATURITY

Paul told the Corinthian church that people who don't believe in Christ aren't able to fully grasp faith because they are not "spiritual" people. But sometimes, there are even *Christians* who don't respond to the message of Jesus. Paul tells the Corinthians, that though they are born again, they are still living "in the flesh," and says they are acting like babies, namely due to their diet and their actions.

Diet: What are you feeding yourself? Hebrews 5.11-13 // 1 Corinthians 13.11

Actions: How are you acting? Galatians 5.16-21 // Romans 8.5-11

PATIENCE FOR YOU, PATIENCE FOR OTHERS

Though we are given the Spirit, and the old us has been crucified, there is still work to be done. When we become believers, we often don't put away the idols that we've built our lives out of and cherish in our hearts.

Galatians 2.20 // Romans 8.30 // Philippians 1.6

When Jesus said, "it is finished," He is saying that the work of justification, the promise of sanctification, and the guarantee of glorification has been made sure. In this life, our justification is in the past, our glorification is in the future, and we are living out the present promise of sanctification.

GOOD NEWS FOR US ALL

2 Corinthians 10.3-6 // Philippians 2.12, 13

When Christ died for us, He not only purchased our salvation, but also purchased the gift of the Holy Spirit for you. He then works in you to will and work for God's good pleasure. He guides us into the heart and life changing truth of the Gospel. In time, His Word changes us as it goes to war in our hearts against the flesh.

**Spiritual disciplines can trim the roots of sin.
But only the Gospel can get the root out.**

- John Owen



NOTES:

This Week's Scripture to Memorize:

1 Peter 2:24

He himself bore our sins in his body on the tree, that we might die to sin and live to righteousness. By his wounds you have been healed.

ARE YOU NEW HERE?

WELCOME TO LIFE MISSION!

We'd love for you to **fill out a Connection Card** so we can welcome you and answer any questions you may have. You can drop it in the offering basket during the service or take it to one of our teammates at the **Connection Booth** outside. Feel free to grab some coffee and snacks in the courtyard and hang out. We hope you'll **join us next Sunday** and consider making us your church family.

WHAT ABOUT THE KIDS?

Our childrens' ministry, which we call **Kids on Mission**, has classes for **newborns - 5th grade**. We have a great team of volunteers who have all been screened with background checks for extra security. Each week your child will get to **worship** with their class, followed by an **age-appropriate lesson** that points them towards Jesus and helps root them in the Word of God.

Visit our website to read more about the vision of Kids on Mission and a walkthrough of our curriculum. If you have any questions, email **Amber Willis at amber@lifemission.tv**

JUNIOR HIGH & HIGH SCHOOL

Our **6th - 8th graders** begin each Sunday by **worshipping with the adults** and then head to their classroom with their teacher and classmates for the rest of service. Visit our website to read more about our junior high ministry and a walkthrough of our curriculum.

Our **9th-12th graders stay in the service** with the adults because we believe that it is crucial for them to not "graduate the faith" when they graduate high school.

For more information about our Junior High & High School ministries, email **Tyler Willis at tyler@lifemission.tv**.

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COMMUNITY GROUP HOMEWORK

Before your group starts, is there anyone who can share the **Memory Verse**?

Read **1 Corinthians 3.1-4**. What stands out to you in this passage, and what stuck out to you most from the sermon on Sunday? _____

It is humbling for us to recognize that we might be considered spiritual infants, or even for mature believers, that we have infant-like areas of our spiritual life. What causes us to remain infant-like in our faith? _____

Preaching the Gospel to Yourself

Read **Galatians 2.20**, **Romans 8.30**, and **Philippians 1.6**. It is easy for us to feel inferior when we see ourselves as infants, especially when we wrongly compare ourselves to others. What part of the Gospel is found in these verses, and how could memorizing these verses help you to battle against discouragement, apathy, condemnation, and even spiritual laziness, and give you a deeper passion and love for Christ? _____

Repent and Confess

What diet and actions might point to areas of your life that you are still acting in the flesh? You may want to read **Galatians 5.16** and **Romans 8.30**. In what area of your life do you need to change your diet and hope to see new actions or attitude? _____

Ask for Provision

In light of these passages, what do you need to ask for from the Lord? Do you need to have some blind spots revealed? Do you recognize areas of weakness that need to be strengthened? Do you need to ask Him for some discipline to take the next small steps of faith by walking with the Spirit who is working in you? _____

Your Life Mission

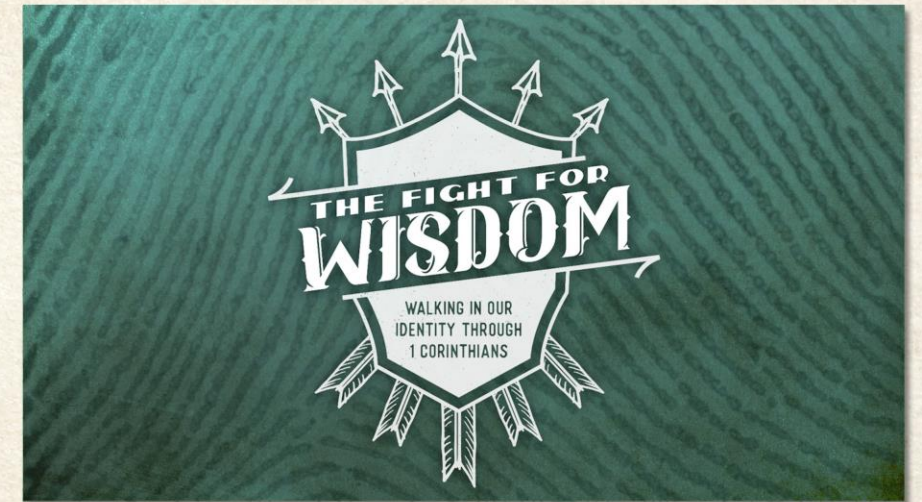
Part of living life as Christians who battle against the flesh is that we often walk in fear of man, faithlessness, and discouragement concerning sharing our faith. This is quite normal, even Paul dealt with fear of man! This is why it is so important for us to bear each others' burdens as it pertains to the sharing of our faith. What conversations are coming that you need prayer for? How is your flesh trying to discourage you in those relationships? Have your church family pray for these.

End the evening in a time of prayer, praying through the theme of the night using the **P.R.A.Y.** model with your group. Make sure to end your time of prayer **Yielding with Thanksgiving** for God's sovereignty and plan for your life.



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WHO ARE SAVED, EQUIPPED, AND SENT BY THE GOSPEL.**



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