

PREACHING CURRICULUM

Living in the Centre

1 Corinthians 15:1-11

'Horizontal fixes are only pain killers treating symptoms in a broken world, ...what we need is healing'

1 REVIEW THE SERMON

LEADER NOTES: Encourage your members to pull out their notes and review the main points of the sermon. (9-12 mins)

Reread 1 Corinthians 15:1-11

As Christians, what is the necessary reminder Paul is giving to us here about how to deal with pain?

What is it about the Gospel that actually heals our pain?

2 ASSESS YOUR LIFE

LEADER NOTES: Evaluate the condition of your lives in relation to the truth from God's Word. Encourage heart examination. (12-15 mins)

What are some ways you have been more focused on human fixes, coping mechanisms, and chicken soup than you are on the true Healer?

Are you actively engaged in the multiplication of God's kingdom? How has this time drawing near bring transformative change in your life?

What ways are you spending time 'sitting at the feet' of Jesus drinking in His presence and wisdom for life?

3 APPLY THE TRUTH

LEADER NOTES: Create a list of ways to close the gap between your lives and the truth of the Bible. Be practical and intentional. (12-15 mins)

Do you fall back on God; or do you fall back on your coping mechanisms when trial comes?

Is your belief (intellectual), Transforming (heart physical) your life? What are some ways?

What is pushed out to make room as we are transformed by being filled with hope?

4 COMMIT THIS WEEK

LEADER NOTES: Call your small group members to make a commitment and get the group working together to follow-up with each other. (9-12)

Will you turn your eyes upon Jesus, believing, recalling, meditating... ultimately God (we) WIN!

What will change in your life as you remain in the presence of God through roadblocks and trials, pain or difficulty even this week? Will you desire and pray for this change?

'And the things of earth will grow strangely dim, in the light of His glory and grace'