

1 Corinthians 2:6-16

Passage Reflection

This page is meant for individuals, small group Bible studies, or one-on-one interactions. Since learning more about the text's meaning in our corporate gathering, I would encourage you to meditate on the passage again so that you might respond to God in praise and obedience. While I have not answered all of the questions below for you, I've included some of my personal meditations that may be of some benefit. May reflection on this passage be used by God to conform you into the image of Christ.

-Pastor Andrew

What do I learn about God?

Notice the Trinitarian blessings given to us: The Father has planned to impart to us a hidden wisdom (not a wisdom that the world can obtain on their own). We're reminded that the Son was crucified for us. The Spirit makes us understand the things given to us by God.

Is there anything for which I should repent based on this text?

We have the benefits of having God's wisdom, but as 3:1-4 tells us, we can disregard that truth and act in a carnal/human/fleshly way that divides the church. Lord, forgive me for ways that I disrupt your church rather than take to heart the beautiful truth that you've given me.

How might God use this passage to make me look more like Christ?

To be better controlled by the Spirit of God as I understand the Word of God.

How does this passage affect evangelism?

Someone believing the gospel doesn't depend on me. The Holy Spirit, sent by God is the one who opens up minds to the truth. It's not dependent on me. My task is to be faithful to spread the "foolish" message (1:18, 23)

How can I edify the church based on what this passage says?

It might seem elementary to us at Canyon BIBLE Church, but understanding of the word and adhering to it is what brings about maturity. The Corinthians had the message of Christ, but they weren't acting in a mature manner. Having the Word spoken in our midst doesn't guarantee maturity. My prayer is for myself and for my brothers and sisters to treasure the Word by obeying and living according to the Word. This is vital.

Prayer

Father, thank you for your plan to freely give us your spiritual wisdom. Holy Spirit, thank you for opening our eyes to truth that changes eternity for us. Keep us mature by aiding us to adhere to the Word. Rebuke us if we are not responding to it. Show us that by treasuring your Word and obeying it, we are becoming more mature as we become more like Christ.