



Life Group Discussion Guide

March 3 – Church Hurt – 1 Corinthians 4

Icebreaker:

What was the highlight of February for you?

Discussion Questions:

Leader Note: Church Hurt is the subject of this week's sermon. Be aware that some in your group may have widely varying degrees of experience with this. Be aware that your group discussion may not be the place for their experience, while prayer may be a more appropriate response. It may be worth "setting the table" before your discussion. Something like, "In light of the sermon this weekend, we are going to discuss our experiences and God's Word. If the conversation moves toward gossip or slander, I'm going to redirect back to our discussion and connect with some additional resources." If you believe there is a current issue that leadership needs to be aware of, please contact your Campus Pastor and/or encourage the group member to contact their Campus Pastor.

1. Had you ever considered that from the very first church, there was Church Hurt? Why or why not?
2. How has Church Hurt damaged the reputation of the church? How has it damaged the way others view the church?
3. How does God's view of the church (e.g. it being His family, bride, temple, flock, etc.), change our response to the church?
4. Have you seen God's church more as an Emergency Room or a restaurant? How has that either contributed a negative view or positive view at times?
5. Of the four things that are happening within a church—rejection of God's Word, shallow people in it, horrific sin and problems, and those who experience healing and fruit—how is it best for you to respond to each group? How might God want us to respond (encourage people to attach their ideas to a specific Scripture)?

6. Randy said, "Anything worthwhile in life has hurt that comes with it." How have you seen this to be true in your life?
7. The difference between a healthy church and an unhealthy one is an expectation and commitment to maturity in Christ and a courage to deal with unrepentant sin. Of the two, is there one that is easier for you to neglect? What have you had to do in order to reverse course?
8. What about the devil being the real enemy of the church is hard for people to live and understand? How have you seen people who understand this well, live in light of people and pain in the church?
9. How might more honest language, "Sally was deceived. Ron was taken captive. etc." help individuals who have experience pain among the church?
10. After the sermon, our time together, and your personal study, what is God whispering to you about his church?

What's Happening in the Life of Legacy:

More details on these events can be found at lcc.org/whats-happening/

All Campus

- **Easter Services:** Invite cards will be available 3/10!
 - **March 31:** 9:00 and 10:45 AM
 - **March 31:** 1:00 PM at Iglesia Hispana
 - **March 28:** 6:00 PM at the Lee's Summit Campus only

Overland Park Campus

- **First Steps:** March 17 at 10:30 AM, or by appointment.
- **Men's Breakfast:** March 23, 8:00 AM. Cost \$5.
- **Club 4:5:** Movie Night. March 22, 7:00 – 9:00 PM. Cost \$5.

Lee's Summit Campus

- **First Steps:** by appointment
- **Taco Tour:** March 7, 11:30 AM – 1:00 PM.
- **Woman's Bible Study:** God of Covenant by Jen Wilkin. March 1 – May 10, 10AM – 12PM.
- **Club 4:5:** Movie Night. March 8, 6:30 – 8:30 PM. Free.
- **Parents' Night Out:** March 11, 6:00 – 8:00 PM. Free.

Olathe Campus

- **First Steps:** by appointment
- **Men's Bible Study:** Saturdays, 7:00 – 8:30 AM.
- **Men's Breakfast:** March 16, 8:00 AM. Cost \$5.
- **Club 4:5:** Pool Party at the Olathe Rec Center. March 23, 5:00 – 6:30 PM. Cost \$5.

Blue Valley Campus

- **First Steps:** March 3 at 10:30 AM, or by appointment
- **Women's Bible Studies:**
 - **Fridays:** Books of the Bible (ALL Method), 10AM – 12PM. Onsite & Zoom. Join anytime.
 - **Saturdays:** Old Testament Study, 10AM – 12PM, Zoom, Join anytime.
- **Club 4:5:** Pool Party at the Olathe Rec Center. March 23, 5:00 – 6:30 PM. Cost \$5.

Hispanic Ministry Campus

- **First Steps:** by appointment.