

Sermon Reflections

Boasting in Christ – 1 Cor. 1:26-31

Summary: A church that stays together is a church that boasts in Christ together.

Unite to Boast in Christ:

1. God Strips Us of Any Reason to Boast in Ourselves (vv. 26-29)

- Who does God call into the church? (What type of people?)
 - What does this say about you? Do you view yourself this way?
- What is your calling by Christ?
 - Are you desiring to be rich, powerful, famous, etc.? OR are you striving to make God's name great, famous, and on display?
 - If you are putting God's name on display, how are you doing this? How can we encourage each other do this each and every day?
- We don't want to cause division in our church body. We need to protect the body by humbling ourselves and holding fast to the cross of Christ.
 - How will holding fast to the cross of Christ help us protect the body?
 - What are some practical ways we can do this?

2. God Supplies Us With Every Reason to Boast in Christ (vv. 30-31)

- In choosing us, what is foolish to the world is actually wisdom from God. What is the wisdom and insight that God opened our eyes too? Does that comfort you?
 - Consider/discuss
 - Wisdom in righteousness – Romans 3:21-25
 - Wisdom in sanctification – Hebrews 10:14
 - Wisdom in redemption – Ephesians 1:7
 - What other verses come to mind in these areas? Share them and encourage one another!
- The cross binds us to one another. We need to boast in our unity that Jesus on the cross has purchased for us.
 - Reflect on your heart, and challenge yourself to these things.
 - Reach out to the stranger in the body. There might be many, start with one! No matter how different you are from them you share a connection in Christ!!!
 - Reconcile with the estranged.
 - Is there someone you are avoiding? Remember that God continually shows you grace and forgiveness, you can too! Boast in Christ by humbling yourself and reconcile that relationship.