

Life Application Questions

Consider the following sermon-based questions for your individual study or with a group of folks like one of the several Life Groups available at Chilson Hills.

Foundational Scripture

I Corinthians 14: 1-33

Featured Scripture Reflection

“So here's what I want you to do. When you gather for worship, each one of you be prepared with something that will be useful for all: Sing a hymn, teach a lesson, tell a story, lead a prayer, provide an insight. If prayers are offered in tongues, two or three's the limit, and then only if someone is present who can interpret what you're saying. Otherwise, keep it between God and yourself.” (I Corinthians 14:26-28, The Message)

Opening Icebreaker

When have you wished that you knew how to speak and understand another language?

Scripture Questions

What is the scripture saying?

- What does the Apostle Paul emphasize about speaking in spiritual tongues during worship?
- What is the one criterion that indicates authentic Holy Spirit language in Worship?
- Looking back to chapter 13, what is the greatest spiritual gift of all?
- Given the Corinthians tendency toward spiritual pride, what is most important in the Apostle Paul's teaching about the spiritual gift of speaking in a spiritual language?

How is your life touched?

- Experiences that were flashy, powerful, and exciting were attractive to the Corinthian Christians. In what way do you see that tendency in your life?
- What is your major spiritual gift? How do you see yourself using that gift following the way of Christ-like love this week?
- What has been your experience with the spiritual gift of speaking in tongues? What is this gift's value? What are this gift's limits?

What is God's invitation to you?

- The Holy Spirit came to the Christian Church at Pentecost. Jesus promised that the Spirit would come. How can the fire and love of the Holy Spirit move through your life this week?

What can you pray for?

Pray that Chilson Hills will be a joyous Community of God's incredible resurrection power celebrating Jesus Christ's transforming hope and love in our lives and in our community.