

# Small Group Discussion

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1 Corinthians 1:17-31

Paul's main issue is with people boasting one person over another, feeling superior for one reason or another. Instead of arguing with their positions – he reviews the message of the cross. He reminds those who God is saving, about their humble beginnings. Here's a chance to go deeper doing the same thing.

## **The Message of the Cross: Other Passages**

1. There are multiple places in the New Testament where we get a picture of what the "Message of the Cross" was when it was preached by the apostles. Here are a few of them – in a group you could read them to compare the similarities (these are just some examples):

1 Corinthians 15:1-11 (but especially v3 and 4)

Acts 2:22—39

Acts 3:12-20

Acts 4:7-12

Acts 8:30-35

Acts 17:2-4

Romans 3:21-27

1 John 1:5-2:2

## **The Believer's Humble Backgrounds: Our own Stories**

2. "Brothers and sisters, think of what you were when you were called...." Find someone to share your story of hearing the message of the cross and becoming a believer in Jesus.

3. Listen to someone else's story.

In a group setting – let people share their story – ask clarifying questions. Take time to praise the Lord together! It may take more than one week – that's okay too.

Pray that God allows us to experience the freedom and joy of being a people who find common ground at the cross.