

WEEKLY STUDY GUIDE

THE FLAG OF OUR BODIES WEEK 3

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Group Serving Opportunity

Trunk or Treat

Thurs, Oct. 31st

5:30-6:30

Cartersville Location before the Gathering!

Details and Signup HERE

ALL TO HIM Raise the Flag

Oct. 10/13 - Nov. 7/10

*All Connect Groups will use the Raise
The Flag Study Guides!

ALL TO HIM DISCIPLESHIP GUIDE

*Bring your guide to group.

*Complete Wk 2 Reading Plan & Prayer Guide on page 75-77.

ICEBREAKER: Share a fun fact about your body that others might not know! It could be a scar, unique talent, birthmark, or something you can do that's unusual. Bonus points if you tell a story about it.

CONTEXT: In 1 Corinthians 6:12-20, Paul addresses the Corinthians' misconceptions about bodily autonomy and sexual immorality. He emphasizes that our bodies are temples of the Holy Spirit, bought with a price, and should be used to glorify God. Remember, your body matters to God, so it matters what you do with your body

SCRIPTURE: Read 1 Corinthians 12-20

12 "All things are lawful for me," but not all things are helpful. "All things are lawful for me," but I will not be dominated by anything. 13 "Food is meant for the stomach and the stomach for food"—and God will destroy both one and the other. The body is not meant for sexual immorality, but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. 14 And God raised the Lord and will also raise us up by his power. 15 Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? Shall I then take the members of Christ and make them members of a prostitute? Never! 16 Or do you not know that he who is joined to a prostitute becomes one body with her? For, as it is written, "The two will become one flesh." 17 But he who is joined to the Lord becomes one spirit with him. 18 Flee from sexual immorality. Every other sin a person commits is outside the body, but the sexually immoral person sins against his own body. 19 Or do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, whom you have from God? You are not your own, 20 for you were bought with a price. So glorify God in your body.



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STARTER QUESTIONS

What is one thing that stood out to you from the sermon over the weekend and why do you think God wants you to remember this truth?

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- 1. Discuss the EXAMINE and APPLY sections on pages 84-85 in your Discipleship Guide.
- 2. In this passage, Paul is clearly addressing the sexual ethics and dysfunction of the church in Corinth. How are we similar to the Corinthian culture today? What commands and warnings are needed most for the Church today?
- 3. How does Paul describe the union between a believer and Christ? (vs 17)
- 4. What are the implications of our bodies being a temple of the Holy Spirit and how should that impact our actions?
- 5. How does Paul's instruction to "glorify God in your body" challenge our cultural attitudes towards our bodies?
- 6. How can we apply Paul's command to "flee from sexual immorality" in practical terms?
- 7. What role does community play in helping us live out Paul's teachings in this passage?

How can knowing and truly believing that we are "not our own" and we are "bought with a price" help us to live out this passage?

In our daily lives, what are some ways to glorify God with our bodies and what changes do you need to make to treat your body as the temple of the Holy Spirit?

PRAYER

*For a deeper and more responsive prayer time, separate into a men's group and women's group.

Share praises, answered prayers, and prayer requests especially involving our bodies as the temple of the Holy Spirit. Pray over the request as a group.

Closing Prayer: God, thank You for your radical grace and may we never take it for granted. We confess our sexual immorality to You and ask for your forgiveness. Create in us a clean heart and make our desires for impurities repulsive to us. Help us to walk by Your Spirit and not by our flesh. Amen.

B.L.E.S.S. Update:

Who's Your ONE?

Review the BLESS principles and ask if anyone has an update to share.

Begin with prayer

Listen to their story

Eat with them

Serve them

Share your story and the story of Jesus