

Sermon Study Questions

Sunday, October 15, 2023

1. Read 1 Corinthians 3 v10-15
2. In one phrase, how would you summarize Paul's point in this passage?
3. What is the foundation of the church? Why is it that no one can lay any foundation other than Christ?
4. How is the foundation of the church, which is Christ, laid?
5. What are the implications of attempting to build a church on a foundation other than Christ?
6. When Paul speaks about building on the foundation, he's talking about how we go about building Christ's church. In doing so he talks about the worker, but even more so about the work and the materials used in the construction and alludes to building with gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, and straw. What do these materials represent? (In answering, think about what issues Paul has been addressing thus far in this letter as he has spoken about what the church should do and what leads to spiritual maturity versus what the Corinthians had been doing and has kept them in a state of spiritual immaturity).
7. What does Paul say will happen to the work if the worker builds with gold, silver, precious stones? What is the outcome for the worker who builds with these precious materials?
8. What does he say will happen to the work if the worker builds with wood, hay, straw? What is the outcome for the worker who builds with these worthless materials?
9. What do you learn from this passage about the work that we as believers should be focused on as we seek to build Christ's church? What do you learn about salvation from this passage?
10. Pray!

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Q. 96. What particular use is there of the moral law to unregenerate men?

A. The moral law is of use to unregenerate men, to awaken their consciences to flee from wrath to come, and to drive them to Christ; or, upon their continuance in the estate and way of sin, to leave them inexcusable, and under the curse thereof.

1 Tim. 1:9-10; Gal. 3:24; Rom. 1:20; Rom. 2:15; Gal. 3:10.