

## IMPACT GROUPS

**Week #9:** Nov. 19 - Nov. 23, 2019

### "The Jesus Trip"

**Sermon Date:** Nov. 17, 2019

**Link to sermon:**

<http://www.impactlondon.ca/livestreamarchives/>



**Link to weekly reading guide:**

<http://www.impactlondon.ca/the-jesus-trip/>

**Ice Breaker:** When was the last time you got a personal letter in the actual mail? Do you prefer mail or e-mail?

**1 Corinthians 1:1-2b (NKJV)**

*"Paul, called to be an apostle of Jesus Christ through the will of God, and Sosthenes our brother, To the church of God which is at Corinth, to those who are sanctified in Christ Jesus..."*

**1 Corinthians 13:4-7, 11-13 (NLT)**

*Love is patient and kind. Love is not jealous or boastful or proud or rude. It does not demand its own way. It is not irritable, and it keeps no record of being wronged. It does not rejoice about injustice but rejoices whenever the truth wins out. Love never gives up, never loses faith, is always hopeful, and endures through every circumstance... When I was a child, I spoke and thought and reasoned as a child. But when I grew up, I put away childish things. Now we see things imperfectly, like puzzling reflections in a mirror, but then we will see everything with perfect clarity. All that I know now is partial and incomplete, but then I will know everything completely, just as God now knows me completely...*

***Three things will last forever—faith, hope, and love—and the greatest of these is love.***

## Discussion Questions

1. Have you ever walked into an awkward conversation between other people? How did it make you feel? What did you do?
2. How might the letters to the Corinthians be an awkward conversation that the church gets to listen in on? Who was having this conversation and what were some of the details being talked about?
3. Describe as best as you can Corinth; the city, the culture, and then the church. Use the sermon and clues in the letters to help paint this picture.
4. Think again about some of the issues being discussed in these letters. Re-cap some of these issues and then discuss why you would or would not want to go to a church like that? What would be some of the strengths and then some of the challenges facing this church?
5. Read 1 Corinthians 1:1-2. Why is it so powerful for Paul to have addressed these Christians as the church of God, "*those who are sanctified in Christ Jesus*"? What does that statement tell us about how Paul wanted to help address their issues?
6. What do you think about the fact that this church, with all its issues, was powerful in the gifts of the Spirit. What can we learn from this?
7. What does it mean to say that 1-2 Corinthians were written "for you, but not to you?" What kinds of issues in these books were culturally relevant to that church but not for us today? What issues are still relevant?
8. Read 1 Corinthians 13. Why was the Corinthian church the perfect place to have received the "Love Chapter?" How would this chapter have helped this church, its members?
9. How might love change the church and the world today?

## What's Going on at Impact Church?

- \* Corporate prayer meeting: Weds. 6pm at Impact Church.
- \* Worship Team Auditions Nov 24. Contact [worship@impactlondon.ca](mailto:worship@impactlondon.ca)
- \* Nov. 28, 7pm at Impact Church: An Addiction Seminar by Teen Challenge
- \* Save the date: Impact Connect, Sat. Dec. 7th.

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