

Living by the
WISDOM of
the **CROSS**
1 Corinthians

Complete these question **BEFORE** your Growth Group meets and then use your answers in discussion.

1 Corinthians 3
How to build a church

TO PONDER:

Would you rather be an expert gardener or an expert builder? Why?

Read 1 Corinthians 3:1-4

How are the Corinthians being unspiritual?

How might you fall into a similar trap?

What do you think is the difference between “milk” and “solid food” (v. 2)?

Read 1 Corinthians 3:5-9

In these verses, the “we” is particularly the apostles like Paul.

As servants and workers who come after the apostles, how should we think of:

a) ourselves?

b) our role?

What are some ways that you can play a part in growing followers of Jesus?

Read 1 Corinthians 3:10-15

From these verses, what do we know about how to 'build with care' (v. 10)?

What do we not know?

Read 1 Corinthians 3:16-23

What are the implications of being 'God's temple'?

How do these verses summarise Paul's argument from chapters 1-3?

Think back over chapter 3. What has struck you about:

a) God's work?

b) Your work?

Spend some time praying in response to God's Word. Thank God for his work in his church and pray for his help to grow and build for Jesus.