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Downstairs Room #1

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THE CROSS-CENTERED CHURCH

A STUDY OF 1 CORINTHIANS



JANUARY 27, 2019

welcome

our purpose

Our purpose is to glorify God by making and maturing disciples of Jesus Christ. Our ministry vision is to love God with all that we are, and love others as much as we love ourselves.

As you worship with us today, you'll notice how often we reference the gospel of Jesus Christ.

We don't have it all figured out, but we know that God saves sinners through faith in the death and resurrection of Jesus. Please join us as we exalt God by singing about his greatness and as we seek to know more about him from the Bible.

the gospel

You will hear us talk about the gospel a lot. Actually it is the center of everything we do here at Highlands.

1. **God** - the only all-knowing, all-powerful King and Creator of all things. He created us to enjoy and glorify him forever. [Psalm 19:1-2; Romans 1:18-32]
2. **Sin** - Yet, we rejected God, and established ourselves as gods of our lives, separating ourselves from Him, and becoming objects of His wrath. In so doing we also unleashed sin, sickness, death and evil. [Ephesians 2:1-3; Romans 5:12-14]
3. **Christ** - In God's unparalleled mercy and grace, He already had a plan to reconcile us to Himself. The entire Old Testament points to the coming of the Messiah - revealed in the New Testament as Jesus Christ. [John 1; Ephesians 2:4-7; Romans 3:21-26]
4. **Response** - None of this is effective for us unless we respond in three ways: repent/turn from our self control and sin [Mark 1:15], believe in the gospel [John 3:16-18], persevere [Ephesians 4:1; Matthew 24:13]. We are then given new life in Christ, forgiven, justified, and adopted into God's family forever! [1 John 1:9; 2 Corinthians 5:17]

kingdom kids

We encourage you to worship as a family, however we provide nursery care [infants - 2.5 yrs] if desired. Kids will be dismissed downstairs before the sermon. Please see one of our security team at the check-in desk by the coffee table for more info.

Explorers	Newborn - 2.5 yrs
Discoverers	2.5 yrs - 3 yrs
Adventurers	Pre-K [4yrs] and Kindergarten
Navigators	Grades 1-5

calendar

Men's Bible Studies

6:30am Wednesdays @ Sussex Sit N Chat
7:00pm Thursdays @ Highlands

Jr. and Sr. High Youth Group

7:00pm Thursdays @ Highlands Roadside Building

New Members Class - TONIGHT

6:00pm Sunday, January, 27th
Dinner provided - please sign up!

Corporate Prayer Meeting

6:00pm Sunday, February 3, 2019 [First Sunday Monthly]

Youth Group - Winter Retreat

February 15-17, 2019

worship guide

January 27, 2019

Our passage today is from 1 Corinthians 6:1-11.
As you prepare your heart in prayer, please consider:

COMPLEMENTARY SCRIPTURE

“Now who is there to harm you if you are zealous for what is good? **But even if you should suffer for righteousness’ sake, you will be blessed.** Have no fear of them, nor be troubled, but in your hearts honor Christ the Lord as holy, always being prepared to make a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and respect, having a good conscience, so that, when you are slandered, those who revile your good behavior in Christ may be put to shame. **For it is better to suffer for doing good, if that should be God’s will, than for doing evil.**”

[1 Peter 3:13-17 ESV]

PRAY/CONSIDER

- What is our culture’s attitude towards lawsuits? Pretty common? :-). Why do you think that is?
- Why would it be an issue for two members of a church to take a minor disagreement to the public courts to settle? What negative impact could there be?
- What does it mean to ‘suffer for righteousness’? Why would we do that?

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And Can It Be | Living Hope | O Great God

sermon notes

January 27, 2019

1 CORINTHIANS 6:1-11

Grace and Conflict

1. Why Go to Outsiders? [6:1-6]

We should resolve our own differences.

2. Being Right at Any Cost Is Wrong [6:7-8; 1 Peter 3:13-17]

We should be willing to suffer for righteousness.

3. We Were They [6:9-11]

We should remember what we've been saved from.

Main Point:

Those justified by God show the grace of God in conflict.