

# 1 CORINTHIANS

## Chapter 5

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# TALK IT OVER

### KEY SCRIPTURE

1 Corinthians 5

Matthew 18:15-20

### WANT TO SERVE?

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### START TALKING. Find a conversation starter for your group.

- Read 1 Corinthians 5. What are some of your initial thoughts about this text?

### START THINKING. Ask a question to get your group thinking.

- Why does Paul connect church discipline to sexual immorality and not to the earlier issues of CH1-4?

### START SHARING. Choose a question to create openness.

- In what ways are the 21st century American culture like 1st century Corinthian culture? Cite examples from Chapters 1-4.
- Why is it so shocking that the Corinthian church is tolerant to sexual behaviors that pagans reject? Are there any current parallels between the contemporary church and our culture?
- What does it look like to “mourn” your sin? Are we responsible to “mourn” the sins of others?
- Why is “church discipline” so taboo? Why don’t most churches practice church discipline?
- Why is every Christian/congregant responsible to the first step of the church discipline outlined in Matthew 18? What are barriers to personal application of Matthew 18?
- What does it mean to “deliver someone over to Satan?” Have you ever done this?
- Why might the “delivering over to Satan” be a necessary step in order to catalyze repentance and restoration? Why are we so tempted as people to spare others from the consequences of their sins?
- Why is sexually immorality likened to leaven? Are all sins metaphorical leaven?
- How have you seen “leaven” spread in the church? Have you witnessed a corruptible expansion in the church due to one person’s unchecked sin?

### START PRAYING. Be bold and pray with power.

- Pray for Easter and Good Friday services. Pray for salvations.

