1 Corinthians 3 Discussion

1. How have you changed since you were a child?

2. Why is laying a strong foundation important in building a house?

3. What foundational truths did you learn in school?

4. Why did Paul call the Corinthians “mere infants”? (3:1–3)

5. How did Paul want his readers to view both Apollos and himself? Why? (3:5–7)

6. Who were the “fellow workers” who worked together on the Corinthian “field” or “building”? (3:9)

7. What is the foundation of the church? (3:11)

8. What is like either gold, silver, costly stones, wood, hay, or straw? How? (3:12–14)

9. Why should we abandon the world’s idea of wisdom? (3:19)

10. What does it mean to be a “spiritual” person according to this passage?

11. Paul addresses the immature believers as “brothers and sisters.” How does this reflect the mercy of God?

12. How does the phrase “but only God gives the growth” (v. 7) free you from the burden of producing results?

13. How does pride function as the root for what Paul addresses? How does human wisdom feed pride?