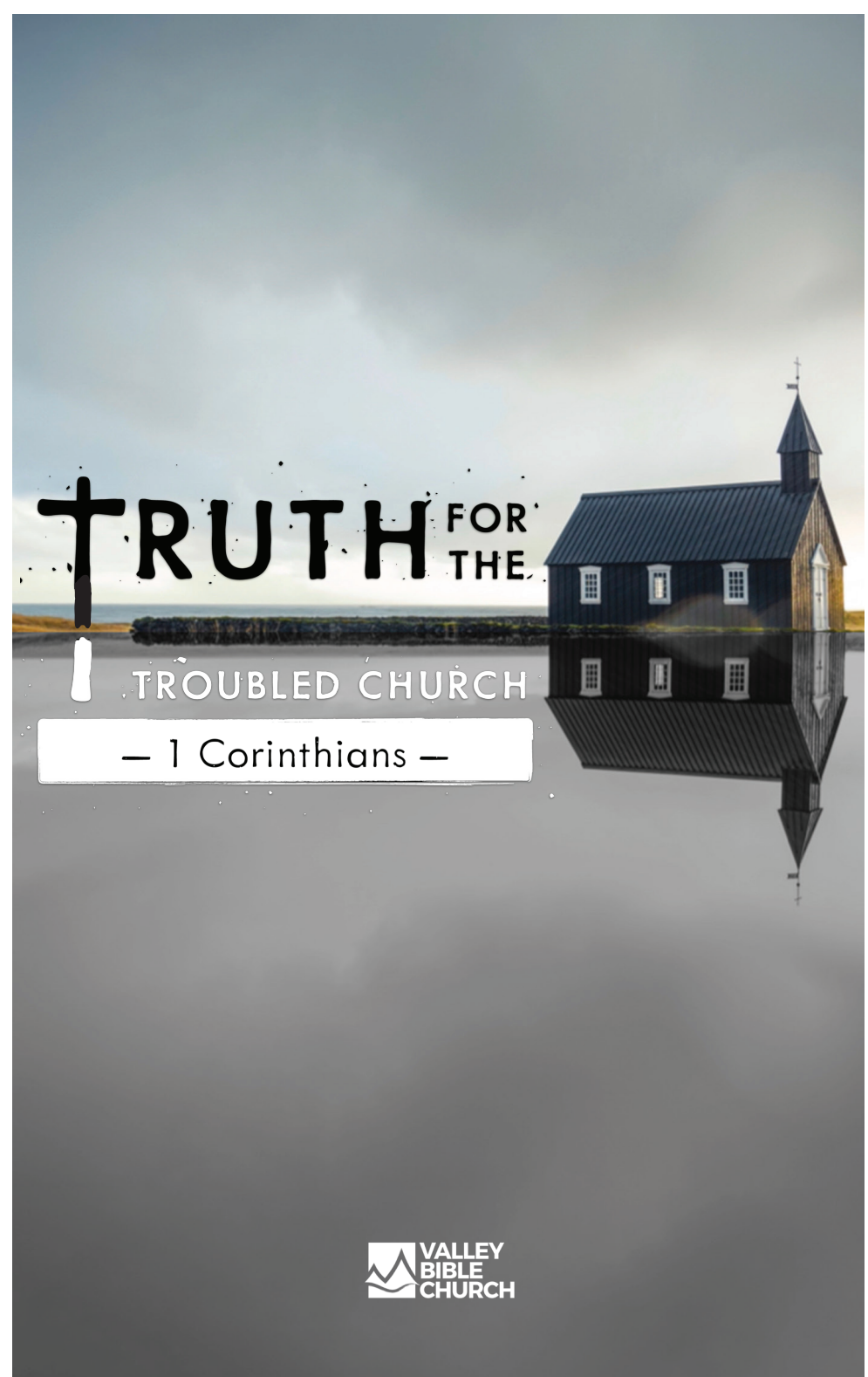


Week of January 16, 2022

1. Thinking back on this week's sermon, was there anything you heard for the first time or that caught your attention, challenged, or confused you?
2. Paul will spend most of this letter to the Corinthians correcting errors, but here at the beginning he describes how thankful he is for them (vs 4). Do you find it easier to show gratitude or to offer correction? Why?
3. What effect does gratitude have, both for the person who gives and receives gratitude?
4. What percentage of your prayer time would you estimate is spent in thanksgiving for others? Why is that (or is it not) an appropriate amount?
5. In what way should (or should not) Christians today expect to be "enriched in Him, in all speech and all knowledge" (vs 5), and "not lacking in any gift" (vs 7)?
6. Paul reassures the Corinthians that they will be "blameless" (vs 8) before Jesus. What impact does it have to know that as a Christian, despite the mistakes you have made, you too will be blameless before Christ (see also 1 Thess. 3:13 and Hebrews 9:28)?
7. What changes could you (or do you need to) make in your life in light of the grace you have been given?
8. Verse 9 tells us that, "God is faithful". What other character traits accurately describe God? Use Scripture references when possible.
9. How have you seen God's faithfulness lived out in your life recently?



THE GRATITUDE OF GRACE

1 Corinthians 1:4-9 / Ben Orchard / January 16, 2022

_____ for Grace in Christ (4)

Grace Given (5-8):

_____ our _____ in Christ (5)

_____ our _____ in Christ (6)

_____ our _____ in Christ (7a)

_____ our _____ in Christ (7b)

_____ our _____ in Christ (8)

The _____ of Grace (9)

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

CLAIM YOUR STUFF TODAY!

Visit the table in the Portico to check out the lost & found. Items left today will be donated.

QUILT 'TIL YOU WILT

The Blanket Makers are holding their annual Quilt 'Til You Wilt January 21-22. You are welcome to bring a project and join us. Quilters, scrapbookers, and crochet/knitters are all welcome. Brown bag lunch, Friday will have a group dinner. Contact Billie Hersh (509-892-5576) with questions.

VBC'S SAFETY TEAM VOLUNTEERS

The Safety Team ministry is dedicated to facilitating a safe worship environment and experience. They need volunteers willing to serve a rotating schedule of Sunday morning services, along with occasional special events. Volunteers need to be mature believers over the age of 18 who attend required trainings and pass a background check. For more information, please contact Chad Dokken at chaddokken1@gmail.com.

YOUTH WINTER CAMP

The Pursuit Winter Fellowship is our annual High School youth winter camp. February 18-21 at Camp Sanders. Sign up at spokanevbc.org/events.

WINTER GEAR DRIVE FOR UNIVERSITY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

We are partnered with University Elementary School and they are in need of some winter items for the kids. Below is a link to our Amazon Account where you can help purchase winter items needed for the kids. As you order items please make sure the shipping address is going to Valley Bible Church. Please purchase the items by January 31. If you want more info or have any questions please contact Ben Doehle at benjamin@spokanevbc.org. Amazon link: <https://amzn.to/3G16tn0>

UNDERSTANDING YOUR GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP

A twelve-week support group for anyone who is grieving the death of a loved one, designed to help understand and encourage healthy mourning in a safe Christian environment. The class is open to anyone. Meets Thursday evenings starting February 3 here at VBC. \$30 for materials, pre-registration is required by January 27. Contact Teresa Gay (509-385-1113) for more info and to register.

NICS CLASS

Save the date for the next Northwest Institute of Christian Studies class, *The Lord Our God*, coming up March 24-26. Visit spokanevbc.org/events for more info.



WOMEN'S MINISTRY

VBC Women's Ministries strives to provide women with opportunities to grow in their relationship with God and with other women at VBC. They oversee Titus 2 Mentorship, Blanket Makers, Women's Fellowship Events, Women's Breakfast and Bible Study, as well as the kitchen and reception teams. If you'd like to get involved, learn more at spokanevbc.org/women.

OUR MISSION

As we proclaim biblical truth, we cultivate relationships that are intimate with Christ, active in the Church, & loving the community.

GIVING REPORT

General: December \$100,434 YTD \$1,068,659, January \$34,151 / YTD \$34,151
Building Fund: Given \$2000