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STUDY GUIDE

Resurrection and the Mind

1 Corinthians 2.1-16

WELCOME & SHARING

Share announcements...

- Flying Pig Weekend May 6th & 7th

The first weekend in May is the weekend of the Flying Pig marathon. It's a big celebration and event in our city and a fun weekend at New City as well. We worship on SATURDAY May 6th at 4:30p and then have a big meal together of Eli's BBQ and then on Sunday morning we don't have any of our normal worship gatherings but we staff the mile 10 hydration station in Hyde Park handing out water and gatorade to runners. It's a fun and great way to serve the runners of our city. You do need to register online with the flying pig. See the website for more details.

- Intro to New City Saturday, May 20th 8a-noon

Intro to New City is a seminar designed to help you get to know the church a little better: hear the story of the church's origins, our Vision, Values, Beliefs, and Philosophy of ministry, some things that are distinctive about New City, etc. It also provides a basic framework for understanding the gospel, and the church's role in God's plan of redemption.

Intro to New City is a pre-requisite to membership at New City, however, attending the seminar does *not* commit you to membership. It's something we hope all regulars at New City will experience and if nothing else you get some free food and books! If you need **childcare** for the class we will be glad to provide it.

- Plans for winding down

You may want to begin talking about your plan for finishing up and finishing well. This might mean planning an end of the year party in June or talking about which dates will be your last. Take a few minutes to remember and celebrate memories from the year and the way God has worked in and through your group.

STUDY/DISCUSSION

Opener Question: Did you have a favorite subject in school growing up? What was it and why?

Though Christmas gets more acclaim in our culture, Easter is *the principal* Christian holiday. The resurrection of Jesus Christ changes everything. Over the next few months we're going to be talking about the implications of the resurrection for our lives.

Read 1 Corinthians 2.1-16

1. What stands out to you from hearing this passage? What is interesting/challenging/confusing/inspiring?
2. How would you characterize Paul's approach to the Corinthians in verses 1 through 5?
3. Think about those people who persuaded you or helped you to put your faith in Christ. How did they (perhaps unknowingly) follow Paul's example as he related to the Corinthians?
4. Why did the rulers of Jesus' time fail to understand who Jesus was (2.6-13)?
5. What are some of the characteristics or beliefs of the wisdom of THIS age?
6. How does anyone come to understand truth/the wisdom of God?
7. What do you think Paul means when he talks of the "mind of Christ" in v.16?
8. On Sunday, Brian challenged us to put OFF the old mind and put ON the mind of Christ. If you were there, was there any of the examples that you felt you ought to experiment with? (i.e. stop "feeding the beast", dismantle cultural liturgies, read your Bible, stand up for truth, etc.) How can you live into the resurrection implications for your mind?

NEIGHBORING EXPERIMENT: Become a "regular." Pick a place and frequent it (@ least once a week). I.e. a coffee shop, park, grocery store (pick the same cashier), gym, etc.

PRAYER

Take some time and pray together: You can pray as a large group, break into smaller groups, split up into men and women, etc. If you share prayer requests, post them to the City so that your group can continue to be praying for each other.