

Grace Fellowship Group Questions

1 Corinthians 4:14-21

1. Is there anything wrong with keeping my faith personal and not participating in communities of discipleship?

Our salvation is personal and individual but in it we are brought into a people. We are meant for community and discipleship. If we don't engage we don't lose or jeopardize our justification but we miss the opportunity to be reminded of the gospel and encourage, challenge others in the faith.

2. Discipleship doesn't work all that well if we hide or keep up appearances; why are we so private and slow to let people in? What is the remedy for this in us?

We want to keep our reputation and shape the image others have of us. We feel like we don't measure up and rather fake it than be real. The remedy is continual reminders of the removal of shame and performance in Christ. There is no condemnation for those in Jesus, and there is also not measuring stick that we have to track with as we walk with him.

3. How can we engage with discipline in healthy, biblical ways?

Be part of the local church; invest in the lives of others as they invest in our lives. Then allowing access to our lives so that we can be corrected. Letting Scripture expose our sin and give the ways of repentance and reconciliation.

4. Do you have "parents in Christ" that challenge you and model the Way of Christ for you? How can you pursue one?

Pursue by finding those in proximity and asking them to invest time and care in you.

5. What does it mean to live, and then model the Way of Christ?

To get low, to put others first and live in reliance on Christ and his work for us, the empowerment of the Spirit to get through life.