



Week 13 | Church in the City | November 19

Opening Up:

If you could be a fly on the wall of any organizations key meetings, who would it be and why?
Are you a big fan of any particular brand? Why?
What could a church do that would blow your socks off?

Reference: 1 Corinthians 16

Discuss:

Chapter 16 of 1 Corinthians is like a staff meeting of the early church. This chapter reveals qualities of a christian movement. A church movement requires...

1. Generosity (16:1-4)
2. Vision (16:5-11)
3. Leadership (16:12-17)
4. Jesus (16:19-21)

Generosity

1. In verse 2 Paul instructs people to put aside an offering on the first day of the week - as they prosper. What about the church's mission inspires your generosity?
2. What about Jesus' gift to you inspires your generosity towards Him?

Vision

3. Paul seeks permission from Jesus (16:7). Do you ask Jesus for permission to make decisions in your life? How does someone go about seeking the will of God?
4. Paul sees opportunity despite the opposition (16:9). Are you more likely (naturally) to see opposition or opportunity?
5. Are you facing any opposition? What open doors for the gospel are present in your life right now?

Leadership

6. In 16:13-14 we read about having courage inspired by love. In what ways have you had to be courageous for someone you love?
7. We are told to recognize and submit to those who have devoted themselves to the service of the saints. (16:15-18) Is there someone in your life who has honorably served the church?

Jesus

8. You can not give what you do not have. You can give Jesus to a desperate world when have not first been desperate for Jesus. How does your life with Jesus need to some intensity?
9. Pray.