

PART 2: HOW TO DETERMINE THE VALUE OF A LIFE

INTRODUCTION

In the first century, the cross was a symbol of suffering and shame. In this series, we'll talk about how it represents an empowering invitation to a completely different way of life.

KEY SCRIPTURE

1 Corinthians 1:18 Ecclesiastes 1:14 Luke 9:23
Galatians 5:25 Galatians 5:22-23 1 Corinthians 1:20

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- 1. What was celebrated most at the last funeral you attended?
- 2. What do you hope people celebrate at your funeral? Would you say you're living in that direction? If not, what needs to change?
- 3. Read 1 Corinthians 1:18-21. In your own words, what was Paul trying to communicate?
- 4. Are you clinging to something that may be fading? Status? Health? Youth? Stuff? What would it look like to follow the way of the cross in that area?
- 5. Is there an area of your life where you experience "never enough-ness"? Whose approval are you really looking for in this area? What would change if you chose to live only for the approval of God in that area?
- 6. Do you want to experience the power of God in your life? What would choosing selflessness look like in your life today?

Application Prayer: Jesus, I choose to sacrifice for those around me as you did. I surrender myself to the way of the Cross.