



CORNERSTONE
COMMUNITY
CHURCH

Digging Deeper Sermon Review: May 1, 2022

Group Check-in

Open with prayer and follow up from the previous meeting. Feel free to utilize the following if they are helpful:

- Check in on past prayer requests, evidence of grace, and things for which to be grateful.
- How's your soul this week?
 - What's been hard?
 - Where is sin alluring/tempting?
 - Where is God at work in your life?
 - Where has God been good to you this past week?
 - Who are the unbelievers you are praying for?
 - Did you have any gospel opportunities in the past week?

Dig Deeper into the Sermon: You and Your Leaders at Peace (1Th. 5:12-13)

Have someone read Sunday's text. Consider working through some of the following questions as a group:

- How are these verses relevant to you and Cornerstone in general?
- Rick said that the health of a church is directly related to the relationship between the church's pastors and her members?
 - Do you believe that's true? If not, why? If so, how so?
- Has the cultural (both popular and church) trend toward suspicion and disrespect toward leaders and authority affected you?

- If so, how so? Did this sermon convict you of any adjustments you need to make in your view of authority?
- Who are pastors mainly accountable to?
 - How does the Bible address this accountability?
- What did Rick mean that this sermon is preventative and not corrective?
 - How will the content of these verses serve us as a church going forward?
- What do you think of when you consider a hard working pastor?
- What does it mean that a pastor is God's steward (Titus 1:7)?
- Why is 1 Peter 5:1-3 in the Bible?
- How does a pastor admonish the church?
- Rick said that there's a serious joy at Cornerstone?
 - What did he mean?
 - Do you agree that it's present?
- Did you find any of the church's responses to pastors difficult to hear?
 - If so, which one(s) and why?
- Read Hebrews 13:17 and talk it through noting the particular instructions to the congregation and the pastor. How does it land on you?
- How else does respect for the pastor manifest itself in the life of the church?
- How is your affection for your pastors?
 - What is that affection based on mainly?
- How do your children hear you talk about the church and her leaders?
- Why is the gospel fruit of peace so significant in the life of the church?

Wrap up with Prayer

Consider ways in which you can pray for one another in light of the direction the Spirit has led your discussion time.