11-1 Connect Group Lesson

Welcome

Opening Question: What is the least useful class you took in High School or College (or what was the most useful)?

Worship

Word

Read 1 Corinthians 1:18-31 and answer the following questions.

1) In what ways might the cross of Christ seem to be foolish (in the eyes of the world)?
2) In what ways does salvation, through Christ's work on the cross, seem too simple or easy?
3) Why do you think some people resist salvation being a free gift?
4) What was the wisdom and strength that was so attractive to the Corinthians (1 Cor 1:20-21, 26 and 2:1, 4-5)?
5) Are there any other expectations or cultural values that can cause problems with our spiritual development today?
6) Paul reminds the church of their own limitations (vv. 26-28). What is notable about God choosing the rejected things of the world?
7) How should these verses remind us of our complete dependence on Christ?
8) What else stands out to you from these verses?

Digging Deeper:

1) The Corinthians were focused on human talent and prestige. What do you think their praise and credit is misplaced?
2) How do people today confuse the world's power with God's power?
3) Why is it important to realize that God doesn't "need us" us?
4) Since God doesn't need us, what does it say to you that he wants to involve us in His work?
5) What situations have you seen in your life where God used the weak and lowly?
6) What applications can you take from these verses?

Works

Pray for one another and for chances to share the Gospel.