

Title: Calling Not Country Club Text: 1 Corinthians 3:10-17 Date: 10/2/2022

Message Recap

This week's message is specifically focused on the calling of the church. The world needs a group of people who are "all in" for Jesus. This community is called the church. It's not meant to be like a country club where you pay your dues and expect the benefits. Each generation is building upon the foundation of Christ (1 Cor 3:10-11). Jesus is the one and only foundation for the church. Each leader and each person builds upon that foundation as his servant. The mission and message stay the same but the methods and messagers change. In the end, what we build together will be judged (1 Cor 3:12-15). We want to do our best and use the best materials possible. What we are constructing as a church is a temple (1 Cor 3:16-17).

Two major takeaways

- Membership is a Partnership
- Membership is a Commitment.

Group Discussion:

- Connect:
 - Name some places where you've been a member of something? (Teams, Clubs, Sam's Club etc...)
 - Have you ever been a member of a church? Where and what did that mean?
- Engage the Text:
 - How would you describe what this weekend's sermon was about? (Reference Recap)
 - Read 1 Corinthians 3:10-17 and talk through different ideas that stand out.
 - The Corinthian church had been blessed with great leaders like Paul and Apollos. Many people were arguing about who they followed. Read 1 Corinthians 3:3-6. Why was Paul concerned with this type of debate about Paul and Apollos? Why does he want them to understand the flaw in their arguments?
 - **Key Question**: Do we make our past or present experience at Church more about the Pastors or Jesus? Why? How?
 - 1 Corinthians 3:10-11 describes Jesus as the foundation of the church. Jesus is the one and only foundation for the church. Why is that important to point out?
 - 1 Cor 3:12:15 describes a judgment of what we are building in the church. What does that mean for you? Have you ever considered this in your participation?
- Apply the Message:
 - Membership is a Partnership: What does it mean to be a partner at Northland?
 - Membership is a Commitment: What does it mean to be fully committed at Northland?

End Your Group Time in Prayer