Day 3

1. Read 1 Corinthians 5:9-13. Summarize the teaching of Paul from this passage.

- 2. In Exodus, Pharaoh would be the same as the "people of this world" according to Paul's words in 1 Corinthians 5. Moses and Aaron would be the same as the believers. Both of these passages highlight that "people of the world" may not have the same understanding or set of expectations as those who are believers. Understanding this, why does Paul teach believers to "not associate with people who claim to be believers but continue to live in sin" but does not eliminate believers from associating with people of the world?
- 3. Reread verse 12-13. It can be easy to place our beliefs of right and wrong according to God's Word onto someone else; this is judgment. Yet, we need to realize that "people of the world" may respond to us the same way Pharaoh responded to Moses and Aaron, "Who is the Lord, that I should obey his voice... I do not know the LORD." Why does it seem easier for believers to tell "people of the world" that they should not abort, should not engage in same sex relationships, should not use tobacco products, etc. but they are unwilling to tell believers they should not sin sexually (marital affairs), gossip, be greedy, cheat or worship idols in today's world (entertainment, information about people, pleasure, money, getting people's attention, etc.)?

4. Based upon this week's study, what has the Lord shown you about your life in relationship to the way you need to interact with others?



Exodus 5:1-6:31

5 After Moses and Aaron talked to the people, they went to Pharaoh and said, "The LORD, the God of Israel, says, 'Let my people go into the desert so that they can have a festival to honor me." But Pharaoh said, "Who is the LORD? Why should I obey him? Why should I let Israel go? I don't even know who this LORD is, so I refuse to let Israel go." ³ Then Aaron and Moses said, "The God of the Hebrews has talked with us. So we beg you to let us travel three days into the desert. There we will offer a sacrifice to the LORD our God. If we don't do this, he might become angry and destroy us. He might make us die from sickness or war." 4 But Pharaoh said to them, "Moses and Aaron, you are bothering the workers. Let them do their work. Go back to your own work! ⁵ There are very many workers, and you are keeping them from doing their jobs." ⁶ That same day Pharaoh gave a command to the slave masters and Hebrew foremen. ⁷ He said, "You have always given the people straw to use to make bricks. But now, tell them they have to go and find their own straw to make bricks. 8 But they must still make the same number of bricks as they did before. They have gotten lazy. That is why they are asking me to let them go. They don't have enough work to do. That is why they asked me to let them make sacrifices to their God. ⁹ So make these people work harder. Keep them busy. Then they will not have enough time to listen to the lies of Moses." ¹⁰ So the Egyptian slave masters and the Hebrew foremen went to the Israelites and

said, "Pharaoh has decided that he will not give you straw for your bricks. ¹¹ You must go and get the straw for yourselves. So go and find straw, but you must still make as many bricks as you made before." ¹² So the people went everywhere in Egypt looking for straw. ¹³ The slave masters forced the people to work even harder. They forced the people to make as many bricks as before. ¹⁴ The Egyptian slave masters had chosen the Hebrew foremen and had made them responsible for the work the people did. The Egyptian slave masters beat these foremen and said to them, "Why aren't you making as many bricks as you made in the past? If you could do it then, you can do it now!"15 Then the Hebrew foremen went to Pharaoh. They complained and said, "We are your servants. Why are you treating us like this? ¹⁶ You give us no straw, but you tell us to make as many bricks as before. And now our masters are beating us. Your people are wrong for doing this." ¹⁷ Pharaoh answered, "You are lazy, and you don't want to work! That is why you ask me to let you go. And that is why you want to leave here and make sacrifices to the LORD. ¹⁸ Now, go back to work! We will not give you any straw. And you must still make as many bricks as you did before." ¹⁹ The Hebrew foremen knew they were in trouble, because the Pharaoh had told them, "You must still make as many bricks as you made before." ²⁰ When they were leaving the meeting with Pharaoh, they passed Moses and Aaron. Moses and Aaron were waiting for them. ²¹ So they said to Moses and Aaron, "May the LORD judge and punish you for what you did! You made Pharaoh and his rulers hate us. You have given them an excuse to kill us." ²² Then Moses prayed to the LORD and said, "Lord, why have you done this terrible

thing to your people? Why did you send me here? ²³ I went to Pharaoh and said what you told me to say. But since that time he has made the people suffer, and you have done nothing to help them!" 6 Then the LORD said to Moses, "Now you will see what I will do to Pharaoh. I will use my great power against him, and he will let my people go. He will be so ready for them to leave that he will force them to go."

Day 1

- 1. Read Exodus 5:1-6:1 and
 - a. Identify who is in this passage.
 - b. Observe what is taking place by writing notes in the margin.
 - c. Mark every time you see the word "God" or "Lord".
 - d. Observe where the events are taking place.
 - E. Write any questions that come to mind in the margins.

Day 2

- 1. Reread verses 1-2. Moses tells Pharaoh the message of the Lord. What does Pharaoh say in response?
- 2. List people in your life that would provide the same response to you.
- 3. What was the outcome of Moses' and Aaron's plea? Why?
- 4. How should this shed light on expectations and demands you place on people who are currently outside of the family of God?