

**PUSHING THE ENVELOPE**

1 Corinthians 11.2-16

**IN THE IMAGE OF GOD**

In Paul’s day, the cultural norm was for men to have shorter hair, and women long hair. Married and betrothed women would also wear their hair up, and in some settings with a head covering or veil as a sign of their commitment and union with their husband. But as new freedoms in worship would enter into the Corinthian church, these freedoms also led to taking freedoms too far. Men and women were pushing back and rebelling against cultural practices that they didn’t deem as necessary, without thinking of what those practices actually were pointers to.

Paul aims to reinforce the truth of both man and woman’s individual identity in Christ, but also wants to reinforce the communal importance and beauty of interdependence on one another, something that is modeled in the Trinity.

**Submission is not inferiority; it is Godlike.**

-P.T. Forsyth

**TAKEN TOO FAR**

What often happens when we are given freedoms, is we exploit them and go beyond healthy limits.

**Culture helps reveal values and principles. For good and bad, when culture is combatted, a value or principle is being combatted.**

Though a head covering, hair length, wedding ring styles, or any number of other indicators in themselves are not eternally off limits, we must consider what lies behind those cultural markers. We must thoughtfully address cultural indicators in a way that doesn’t inadvertently erode the principle it protects.

Galatians 5.13 // 1 Corinthians 10.23, 24

**WISDOM FOR TODAY**

We enjoy many freedoms today. And our culture is continually wanting to have more *perceived* freedoms. It can be alluring, but we also *must* believe that real freedom comes from living life as God has designed.



**NOTES:**

**This Week’s Scripture to Memorize:**

**John 6:35**

Jesus said to them, "I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me shall not hunger, and whoever believes in me shall never thirst.

**ARE YOU NEW HERE?**

**WELCOME TO LIFE MISSION!**

We’d love for you to **fill out a Connection Card** so we can welcome you and answer any questions you may have. You can drop it in the offering basket during the service or take it to one of our teammates at the **Connection Booth** outside. Feel free to grab some coffee and snacks in the courtyard and hang out. We hope you’ll **join us next Sunday** and consider making us your church family.

**WHAT ABOUT THE KIDS?**

Our childrens’ ministry, which we call **Kids on Mission**, has classes for **newborns - 5th grade**. We have a great team of volunteers who have all been screened with background checks for extra security. Each week your child will get to **worship** with their class, followed by an **age-appropriate lesson** that points them towards Jesus and helps root them in the Word of God.

Visit our website to read more about the vision of Kids on Mission and a walkthrough of our curriculum. If you have any questions, email **Amber Willis at [amber@lifemission.tv](mailto:amber@lifemission.tv)**

**JUNIOR HIGH & HIGH SCHOOL**

Our **6th - 8th graders** begin each Sunday by **worshiping with the adults** and then head to their classroom with their teacher and classmates for the rest of service. Visit our website to read more about our junior high ministry and a walkthrough of our curriculum.

Our **9th-12th graders stay in the service** with the adults because we believe that it is crucial for them to not “graduate the faith” when they graduate high school.

For more information about our Junior High & High School ministries, email **Tyler Willis at [tyler@lifemission.tv](mailto:tyler@lifemission.tv)**.



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## COMMUNITY GROUP HOMEWORK

Before your group starts, is there anyone who can share the **Memory Verse**?

Read **1 Corinthians 11.2-16**. What stands out to you in this passage, and what stuck out to you most from the sermon on Sunday?

What are some cultural practices that in themselves may seem arbitrary or unnecessary, but actually point or even guard important, larger principles?

### Preaching the Gospel to Yourself

Paul briefly describes the submission of Christ to His Father. What aspect of the Gospel can you remind yourself of as you aim to live out your role in your marriage, family, society, work, and/or body of Christ?

### Repent and Confess

In what ways do you kick at cultural or church tradition or practice that you see may be actually pushing back on deeper important principles?

### Ask for Provision

When we see ways we have been naively pushing on things, to bring biblical correction we can either turn the other direction completely if necessary, or we can alter the nuances of it. What might you ask God to help you in as it pertains to living out your God-defined roles and how to correct ways that you may have been distorting them?

### Your Life Mission

What conversations or social settings with non-believers are coming up that you could use prayer for? How can your group be praying for the people in your life that you love and care for?

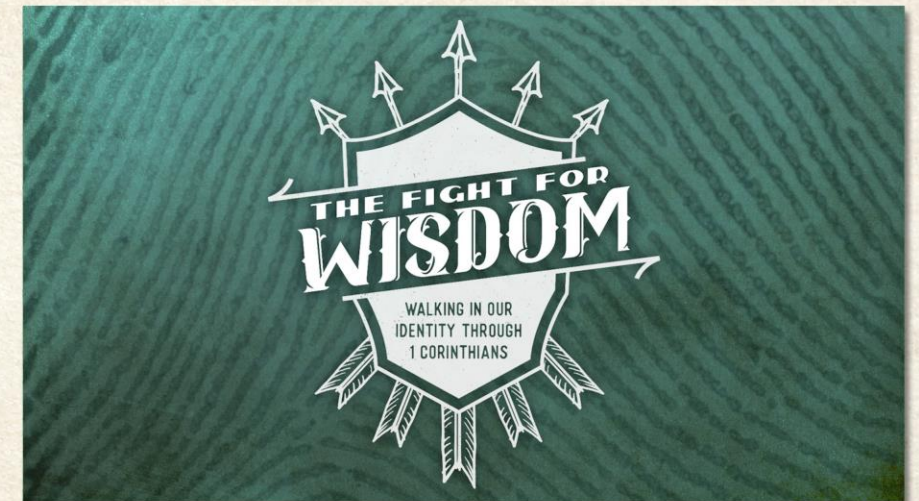
End the evening in a time of prayer, praying through the theme of the night using the **P.R.A.Y.** model with your group. Pray for these people you have mentioned and for your heart and plan as you pursue them in love. Make sure to end your time of prayer **Yielding with Thanksgiving** for God's sovereignty and plan for your life.



# LIFE MISSION

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MAKING DISCIPLES WHO MAKE DISCIPLES LOCALLY AND GLOBALLY,  
WHO ARE SAVED, EQUIPPED, AND SENT BY THE GOSPEL.



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## SUNDAYS AT 10AM

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