

Sermon Discussion Guide

How Then Shall We Live: God's Family 1 Corinthians 5 Ray Cortese| September 24 & 25, 2016

- 1. Do you personally know anyone outside the church who has felt judged by people inside the church?
- 2. Healthy families have rules/core values that guide them. Did your family growing up have rules/core values? If so, did they produce health? If not, what has been the lingering impact of their absence?
- 3. In what ways does God say the church ought to be distinct from the world around it?
- 4. How are peoples views of God the father impacted by the actions of those who claim to be in the family of God?
- 5. What did Paul mean when he said "a little bit of leaven leavens the whole lump"?
- 6. How would you respond to someone who says, "Who are we to judge"?
- 7. Why is the discipline of children, either ours or God's, a loving thing? What was the point of the illustrations of the transit officer and the physician?
- 8. Have you ever lived in a season of rebellion, where you found that the way of the sinner is hard, and God allowed you to experience the repercussions of your decisions?
- 9. Paul said, flee from sin, not from sinners. Do you spend all your time with Christians? How might you change that? What did Ray say is the whole point of having kids?
- 10. Ray said he received some of the harshest feedback he's ever received as a pastor after preaching on racism two weeks ago. Did hearing that surprise you?