LG Notes 1Corinthians 3 Mark G

- Remind people of chapter 3 and maybe read it over together.
- Mark started off by saying that the Word of God can sometimes cut deeply like a double-edged sword; that it can be painful. Have you ever experienced this? Why would God want to hurt us?
- What do we mean when we say to be in the world but not of the world? What areas do you see the 'world' creeping into the church (generally rather than Jubilee specific)?
- How do we strike a balance between being in the world enough that people feel able to come in, be themselves and consider joining us and being distinct and Christlike? Mark used the phrase being 'relevant, approachable and welcoming.'
- Would you consider yourself more of a thermostat or a thermometer? What do you put in place to stop yourself being more influenced than an influencer?
- Mark listed a number of characteristics of a godly leader building with gold, silver and costly stones. What do you think godly leadership looks like in the church? Why is the idea of serving and humility so key here?
- It is often easier to set higher standards for others than we have for ourselves where is the line between being judgemental and having high expectations?
- There is division in Corinth around the leadership and a misplacing identity. What do vs 9 and 16 say about who we are?
- Why is having an understanding of your identity in Christ so important in building towards Christ rather than ourselves? i.e. Getting people to think He is great not that we are great.
- Looking back over chapter 3 what has particularly stood out to you?