

# CHARGE Youth Discussion Questions Outline

GRADE  
**7-12**

## Date & Week

May 1, 2021 (Wk 2)

## Bible Focus

Corinthians 1:8, 22-31

## Theme Focus

God's power

## Explanation of the 1 Corinthian Series

The Apostle Paul, who founded the Church in Corinth, was living in Ephesus when he heard reports of quarrelling within the Corinthian church. Upon discovering about their deep divisions, he writes to the Corinthian believers in order to give them much needed support and direction, providing them with a model for how the church should handle the problem of sin in a worshipping community. In Paul's letter, he addresses a number of issues related to life and doctrine, including: divisions and quarrels, sexual immorality, lawsuits among believers, relationship status, freedom in Christ, order in worship, the significance of the Lord's Supper, and the right use of spiritual gifts.

**Main Point:** The cross was a stumbling block for the Jews and the Greeks, but it doesn't need to be for us! We can use the cross to help others know and understand God's Power.

1. How important is the cross when people think of Christianity?

### Read 1 Corinthians 1:18, 22-25

2. What was happening in the Corinth community, is that many could not understand the means of salvation that God provided in Jesus. What was the key thing they struggled to understand?
3. Why did the JEWISH people have so much trouble understanding the cross?
4. Why did the GREEK people have so much trouble understanding the cross? What does Paul mean in verse 25 by 'The foolishness of God is wiser than human wisdom. The weakness of God is stronger than human strength.'? Is Paul saying that God is foolish or silly?

### Read 1 Corinthians 1:27-31

5. In what ways did the people in Corinth think that God's choices were: foolish, weak, unimportant?
6. By sending Jesus to die on the cross and rise again to life, what has God given us?
7. This is the kind of power that Paul says we should boast in. How can you boast in what the Lord has done for you this week?



# Prayer

God, we thank you that you are wiser and more powerful than we will ever be. Thank you for sending your own Son, to live and die on the cross, so that we might have eternal life. Help us to boast in you and you alone. Amen.