

## The Friction We Create ... *1Corinthians 1:10-18*

*"Beloved, let us love one another, for love is from God, and whoever loves has been born of God and knows God. Anyone who does not love does not know God, because God is love."*

*...1John 4:7-8 (ESV)*

*"By this all people will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another."*

*...John 13:35 (ESV)*

### 1. Condition of the Corinthian Church...

Scripture... *1Corinthians 1:10-18*

### 2. DIVISIONS...*the Fingerprint of Man... Selfish Ambition!*

Scripture... *1Corinthians 1:11-13, James 4:1*

### 3. The Habit of *Criticism... Break it!*

Scripture... *Philippians 2:14-16, Hebrews 10:24-25, 1Peter4:8-9*

### 4. Our Common Ground...*the Word of God*

Scripture... *1Corinthians 1:10, 1Corinthians 1:18*

### 5. Reflect the Lord Jesus in *EVERY Relationship... As an Image Bearer of God!*

Scripture... *Matthew 5:16, Romans 12:9-21, 1Corinthians 16:13-14, (Genesis 1:26-27)*

● *As a HUSBAND:*

● *As a DAD:*

● *As a SON:*

● *As a BROTHER:*

● *As a FRIEND:*

● *As a MAN:*

## Group Discussion

1. What stood out to you in tonight's message and scripture passages? ...*be descriptive!*
2. Can you think of any relationships within your HOME that have friction, and need healing? ...*be honest and transparent!*
  - Identify the specific steps that you can take that would reflect the Lord's response to the issue(s), and possibly open the door to restoration and/or healing...
    - 1.
    - 2.
    - 3.
2. Can you think of any relationships within your EXTENDED FAMILY and/or FRIENDS that have friction, and need healing? ...*be honest and transparent!*
  - Identify the specific steps that you can take that would reflect the Lord's response to the issue(s), and possibly open the door to restoration and/or healing...
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4. **READ Romans 12:9-21 together...** Identify each of the character traits noted of a true Christian in these verses...
  - Explain what each one means, and how it should look in the life of a Man of God...
  - What would the effect be on your life if you were to sincerely put each character trait into action?
5. Is there anything from tonight's discussion that spoke to you personally? In what way(s) does it affect your life? How will you directly and specifically apply it in your life today?

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Take a few moments to share any Prayer Requests with the men in your Group. Write down any requests and commit to pray for one another throughout the week.

*(It's great to know that other guys are praying for the important things in your life...and it's great to be praying for the important things in their lives!)*

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How do the **5 Principles for the Christian Man**, help equip you to apply this to your life?

*Discuss your answer with your group...*

- Prayer (*Relationship*)
- God's Word (*Knowledge and Understanding*)
- Worship (*Adoration*)
- Fellowship (*Encouragement and Accountability*)
- Service (*Caring for Others, Action to your Belief*)