

GO DEEPER

The Go Deeper section has two potential functions. It can supplement your small group discussion by providing extra discussion material. We've highlighted a place where each of the following segments could fit in the Discuss section of the study guide.

But you can also use these sections as short devotionals to carry you through the week until your next group meeting.

Convictions

Read 1 Corinthians 8

Being convicted of our sin happens when we are faced with our wrongdoings. We then can make the choice to repent of that sin (John 16:8).

Sin vs. righteousness is a black-and-white issue, but Paul talks about another type of conviction that is selective. God will sometimes call us to live in a way that He doesn't call others to live. We see this presented in 1 Corinthians 8.

- What was the topic that he was discussing in verse 7?
- Would eating the food actually keep anyone from being permanently separated from God?
- Why does God sometimes call some to live in a certain way, but not others?
- In what way can we help people in our group who are living within the standard of certain convictions?
- Paul uses a phrase in verse 9 to identify those who are a temptation to people struggling to uphold their convictions. What is it?
- Is this act a sin? Why or why not?
- How does this type of conviction can increase spiritual growth?