



Sermon Discussion Questions

1 Corinthians 6:12-7:5 // You Are Not On Your Own

- How would you recap what we've learned in these mini-series so far?
- What has been the most important or most impactful teaching for you personally?
- If you were in Paul's situation, explaining Jesus's sexual ethic to new believers in a pagan, pluralistic, sex-saturated world, what sort of approach would you take?
- Why is it significant that Paul's primary argument strikes at our core idea of *belonging*?
- Summarize the perspective of the Corinthian church. How is that significant for understanding what Paul is saying?
- Say you believed what some Corinthians did, that bodies don't matter—how would that affect your ethics? How should a good pastor like Paul respond to that belief?
- Say you believed what some Corinthians did, that sex is so dirty and defiling and dangerous that it should be avoided, even within marriage—how would that affect your ethics? How should a good pastor like Paul respond to that belief?

- Where does the temptation to sexual immorality show up most frequently today?
- How might we apply Paul's words in verse 18, **flee sexual immorality**, to our lives?
- Why do we struggle to even *want* to flee sexual immorality?
- Explain the significance of Paul's claim that we are bought with a price, and no longer belong to ourselves. How does **you are not your own** give us guidance and limits for our behavior?
- Pastor Joey said that if there's one thing in our modern world that makes Jesus's teachings on sex and sexuality difficult to accept, it's this fundamental conflict of *belonging*. Who do you belong to? How does that shape your behavior?
- Pastor Joey ended with a question: "what if sex and sexuality isn't like a playground waiting to be explored, but like an untamed wilderness that will kill you if you're not prepared?" Which image best describes your view of sex? How has that affected your behavior?
- Who in your life will walk with you as you live out the fact that you belong to God, and are not your own?

