



## Wednesday Evenings at 6:45pm

There's a lot of life lived between Sundays. By the time we come back to church a week later, we're tired and worn out—we're in need of encouragement, refreshment, and community. Our Midweek worship service exists to meet that need. Midweek is an hour-long informal gathering to sing and hear about God's amazing grace, and connect with one another. Join us this week for this gathering where the whole family is together.

June 28 is our Annual "Friend Day" here at Fairview Baptist Church. Evangelist Dave Young will be with us for this day. Pick up invite cards today!

join us for  
**friend day**

*the best gift a friend can give*

{a message guide for your convenience}

### Message Title: How do we Handle the Sin we See in Our Lives?

# SINS WE PROTECT

#### Introduction:

The church of Corinth was a church that found itself in a terribly pagan and corrupt city. Unfortunately, this corruption influenced the church to the point that there were all kinds of sin found within the body of believers to differing degrees. The question was, how would God address this church through the letter that Paul was sending to this congregation. How would the sin best be confronted and combated so that the church could see cleansing and restoration? And for that matter, what is the hope and remedy for indwelling sin in our lives? Because if we are honest, we find a lot of "corinth" in us as well.

The epistle to the Corinthians is a fascinating study because of how the book starts and where it starts from. If it were me, I would dive right in to trying to "fix the bad behaviors" of the church and "call people on the carpet" immediately. And often, that's how we approach the problem of sin both personally and corporately. But does that really work? Or is God telling us through this letter a "better way" to handle sin when we see it in our lives?

**Main Truth:** Only the gospel gives to me the hope, assurance, power, and motivation that I need for facing the reality of continuing indwelling sin in my daily life and seeing it's dominating grip lose it's hold in my life.

#### 1 Corinthians 1:2-3

"Unto the church of God which is at Corinth, to them that are sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be saints, with all that in every place call upon the name of Jesus Christ our Lord, both theirs and ours: Grace be unto you, and peace, from God our Father, and from the Lord Jesus Christ."

#### Hebrews 10:14

"For by one offering he hath perfected for ever them that are sanctified."

#### 1 Corinthians 1:4

"I thank my God always on your behalf, for the grace of God which is given you by Jesus Christ;"

#### 1 Corinthians 1:5-6

"That in every thing ye are enriched by him, in all utterance, and in all knowledge; Even as the testimony of Christ was confirmed in you:"

#### 1 Corinthians 1:8-9

"Who shall also confirm you unto the end, that ye may be blameless in the day of our Lord Jesus Christ. God is faithful, by whom ye were called unto the fellowship of his Son Jesus Christ our Lord."

#### 1 Corinthians 1:17-18

"For Christ sent me not to baptize, but to preach the gospel: not with wisdom of words, lest the cross of Christ should be made of none effect. For the preaching of the cross is to them that perish foolishness; but unto us which are saved it is the power of God."

#### Isaiah 64:6

"But we are all as an unclean thing, and all our righteousnesses are as filthy rags; And we all do fade as a leaf; And our iniquities, like the wind, have taken us away:"

### How the Gospel Equips Us to Confront Indwelling Sin

I. **A Total** \_\_\_\_\_.

II. **An Inward** \_\_\_\_\_.

III. **A Secured & Set Apart** \_\_\_\_\_.

IV. **A Continuing** \_\_\_\_\_.

#### Conclusion:

The remedy for our sin is the gospel in it's widest scope. What I mean is that the gospel is not only Christ's work "for us" but it is also Christ's work "in us." He saves us not only from the penalty of sin, but also from it's dominion and reigning power in our lives. This beautiful truth is captured poignantly in the old hymn "Rock of Ages" when Augustus Toplady says, "Be of sin the double cure, cleanse me from its guilt and power." The gospel is the "double cure" for our sin and by starting and building from the right foundation, we can see a wonderful transformation in our lives because of His grace and glory!