

Digging Deeper

Connection Card “Next Steps”

Mark them here so you don’t forget them!

- [] Memorize 1 Corinthians 5:22.
- [] Thank my God for the joy He has given me in this life based on the knowledge of the past and the future He gives me in His Word.
- [] Look for some service groups in the area our congregation could partner with as we seek to serve our neighbors.

Food for thought:

The firstfruits offering required of the Old Testament Israelites was presented on the 16th of Nisan, the first day after the Sabbath following Passover. What other significant event do you know of that took place on that day?

Closing Prayer

Close with prayer for the spiritual needs of your family, your spiritual family, and people everywhere.

LORD, KEEP US...

**JOYFUL IN OUR
KING!**

Connection Group Study Guide
For the week of November 26 – December 2

I Corinthians 15:20-28

Joyful in Our Risen and
Triumphant King

Opening Prayer

Getting to Know Me

Are there any big “what ifs” that you have been pondering lately?

Into the Bible

Read 1 Corinthians 15:12-19

What false teaching had arisen among the Corinthians and what counterarguments does Paul lodge against it?

Read 1 Corinthians 15:20-22

If “firstfruits” refers to the beginning crops of a harvest, how is Jesus’ resurrection a firstfruit of God’s harvest?

What does it mean to be “in Adam”? “In Christ”?

Read 1 Corinthians 15:23-28

What events are associated with Christ’s reign and return in these verses?

Why is it inevitable that Jesus “must reign until He has put all His enemies under His feet”?

Who set up the structure of authority and why is it important?

How will our physical resurrection demonstrate the final destruction of all enemies?

Connecting

Have you ever wondered, “What if all these things the Bible promises aren’t true?” What proof do you have that they are in fact true?

Are you “in Adam” or “in Christ”? How do you know?

Read Philippians 2:5–11. What contrasts can you identify between the character and behavior of Adam and of our Lord Jesus Christ?

What does *Christ the King* mean for your past? Your future? Your present? In other words, what difference does the assurance of our Savior’s resurrection and the promise of ours have upon our service for him?