

Your Sunday Morning Construction Site (5/19/24)

Main Verses: 1 Corinthians 14:12-20

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'Takeaway': When we come together as Christians, God not only calls us to build others up in their faith, but to keep growing in that important work.

Getting Started: Share about a time when you were on a team, or had to work on a project with others. What did you learn from it?



READ 1 Corinthians 14:12-20 (or have older kids help read).

Some **QUESTIONS** to consider:

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Here are some **IMPORTANT IDEAS** we discover in these verses :

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An **ENCOURAGEMENT** in light of God's word:

(Toddler/PreK) Talk to God. Thank him for his Church. Thank him that he provides other believers in our lives to help build us up in our faith. Ask God to help you learn more about his church and to help you to continue to grow in your faith in him.

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