

Why Church?
Week 4: Because We Need Clarity in a Time of Confusion

1. What is wearing you out, stressing you out, or confusing you right now? How have you been processing it all?
2. Take a look at Paul's model with the church at Corinth. Read **1 Corinthians 1:1-5**. What is Paul's starting point for handling the conflict and confusion of the church? Why do you think he begins there? Read **1 Corinthians 15:1-8**. Why do you think he ends here?
3. What is the difference between putting the *idea* of Jesus at the center of your thinking vs. the *person* of Jesus at the center of your thinking? What has been your experience?
4. Read **Romans 10-9-10**. What are the essentials of salvation?
5. Read **2 Timothy 1:6-12**. What truth does Paul pass on to Timothy? How is this verse an encouragement to you today?
6. Consider each of the following practical steps for thinking clearly in our times.
 - Take care of your brain.
 - Think inside out. Think twice. Think together.
 - Walk together with Jesus.

What step will you take this week? Who will you encourage?