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## **LET YOUR CONSCIENCE BE YOUR GUIDE**

### **1 Corinthians 4:4(niv)**

#### **~Life Group Questions~**

1. What principles or insights from Sunday's sermon did you find to be...
  - a. most helpful
  - b. most challenging
  - c. most troubling
  - d. Why?
  
2. Before hearing Sunday morning's sermon, how would you have responded to the statement, "Let your conscience be your guide?"
  - a. Would you have agreed or disagreed?
  - b. Why?
  
3. Have you ever been involved in a person's life whose foolish or sinful behavior was destroying their lives but nevertheless continued in this behavior insisting that they were letting their conscience be their guide?
  - a. How did you approach this situation?
  - b. What was the outcome?

- 4.** Have you ever felt good about following your conscience but it led you to a bad place?
- a.** If so, what was the outcome?
  - b.** What did you learn from the experience?
- 5.** In Sunday's sermon, we learned that our consciences are more like thermostats than thermometers. The difference being that thermometers give us an accurate reading of facts while a thermostat gives us the ability to set our comfort zone.
- a.** Can you think of a time when you set your conscience to accommodate your comfort zone in an ungodly way, or vice versa?
  - b.** What led to this time of adjusting?
  - c.** If this adjustment was in the direction of ungodly behavior, what has helped you recalibrate your conscience to conform to God's will?
- 6.** Read 1 Corinthians 4:1-5. How does it strike you that the Apostle Paul would be so distrusting of his own conscience?
- a.** If the Apostle Paul was distrustful of his conscience, what does this teach us about trusting our conscience?

7. How do the following words from Jeremiah 17:9 add to the conversation about why we should be leery of trusting our consciences?

*“The heart is more deceitful than all else and is desperately sick; who can understand it?”*

8. Read Romans 12:1-2 and 2 Timothy 3:16-17.
- a. What do these verses tell us we can and should do to be certain that our consciences are properly calibrated?
  - b. Is there anything in your life that you should start or stop doing to better align your conscience with God’s heart and His will as revealed to us in the Bible?