1. **1 Corinthians 5:6-8**
* What is the “feast” Paul is talking about?
* What does Paul mean by “clear out the old yeast”? What is “old yeast”?
* Since Paul states “a little yeast leavens all the dough,” what does *leaven* represent?
* **Luke 12:1**
* Does the explanation of the “leaven” in Luke agree with your interpretation of the *leaven* in **1st Corinthians**? Explain how or why…
* Give an example of a “fresh batch of dough” that is “unleavened” in Christian terms.
1. **1 Corinthians 5:9-10**
* Who is Paul asking us not to associate with here, “immoral” people in the world that we encounter, or “immoral” people within the Church who claim to be with us?
* Does your answer surprise you, please share?
* Why doesn’t Paul want us to “leave the world,” why would he not want us to separate from the “greedy and robbers and idolaters” who are also labeled as “immoral”?
* **John 15:18-20**
* What does Jesus say about those in the “world,” how might many of them act towards you once they know you stand with Christ and his teachings?
* **John 18:6-21**
* Does Paul’s message agree with Jesus’s, that we should remain in the world, name a verse in the **Gospel of John** that you feel implies Jesus wants us to remain in the world too?
* What purpose do we serve remaining in the world according to our Lord Jesus Christ?
* Do you believe some Christians believe otherwise, in other words, that some believe once we become Christian we should cut off all communication with non-believers and immoral individuals rather the bring the Kingdom of God to their doorsteps? Please share…
* **Matthew 9:9-13**
* Does this parable support what we just talked about, explain why?
* Please share how this makes you feel and whether you are ready for this challenge?
1. **1 Corinthians 5:11-13**
* Who is Paul saying is “your business to judge”?
* Who will judge those outside the church then?
* Do you believe we as Catholics and Christians are operating in this manner, are we judging those within rather than those outside the faith?
* **Matthew 7:1-5**
* Considering our role to judge within the Church, what must we do first in our own lives according to Christ?
* Why is this first step important to do before judging outside oneself?
* How will we be judged according to Christ?
* **Ezekiel 33:7-9**
* According to **Ezekiel**, why is it important to “dissuade the wicked man from his way”?
* **Matthew 18:10-14, Luke 15:8-10, Ezekiel 33:11**
* What does God “take” “pleasure” in?
* Share something with the group that touched your heart in this lesson.