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1 Corinthians 11:3-9

Summary – The Bible is the most studied text in history. It has been the catalyst for ending slavery, hospitals, education for everyone, basic human rights and much more. It can also be abused and used to control and manipulate for personal gain (2 Peter 2:3). Much of the abuse can be avoided when we understand its purpose and its metanarrative or the big picture.

Scripture – Deuteronomy 7:6-9; Psalm 23:1-3, 106:8; Ezekiel 20:8-9, 21-22, 44; Isaiah 48:9; Jeremiah 20:7; Galatians 3:24-25; 1 Corinthians 10:31

Community Group Questions:

(There is no obligation to discuss every question)

- 1. What is the purpose of the Bible? (Ezekiel 20:8-9, 21-22, 44; and Isaiah 48:9)
- 2. "The Bible is not a roadmap for your life." Discuss
- 3. "The Bible is not about felt needs (feelings)." Discuss
- 4. "The Bible is not a handbook for morality." Discuss
- 5. "I'm just a shovel; God picked me up with holy hands. We don't praise the tool; we praise the user." Discuss
- 6. How difficult is it to make decisions for the glory of God?
- 7. How can we see the "greatness of God" throughout the week?