

*Valley Bible Church - Sermon Study Questions*

**Study Aid for the Sermon from November 8, 2020  
The Refinement of the Church  
1 Corinthians 5:6-8**

**Observing the text**

What illustration does Paul use in these verses?

What is the Old Testament background of this illustration?

How does this illustration address the negative impact of churches neglecting sin?

How does this illustration address the positive impact of churches addressing sin?

Why do you think churches are tempted to ignore sin?

**Applying the sermon**

How can a church boast when sin is so prominent within it?

What ways have you seen sin spread in the church?

What can we do to protect against the spread of sin among us?

How should our consideration of Christ and His work on the cross impact our battle against sin?

What should you expect from a church that is living with sincerity and truth?