

Reflection Questions

What things cause your spiritual growth to become stunted most often?

How have you seen divisions in the church stunt its growth?

Why do you think churches are tempted to attribute growth to things other than God?

What characteristics should be displayed by “sacred people”?

Why do you think that Paul is so harsh in his criticism of their division about leadership?

What is your reaction to being foolish, poor, weak, and lowly in the eyes of the world?

Have you ever experienced being treated poorly because of your faith?

Paul often alludes to the parent and child relationship between the churches he works with and himself. What connection does this have to the relationship between our heavenly Father and us?