Small Group Discussion Guide

Compelled by Christ

Discussion (10 minutes)

Choose one of the following:

- What's the craziest, riskiest thing you ever did? Why did you do it?
- What is the greatest act of love someone has shown you? How did you respond?
- What motivates you more, promise of reward or threat of punishment?

Word (20 minutes)

Read 2 Corinthians 5:9-10.

- What's it going to be like to appear before the judgment seat of Christ? Does it scare you or excite you to think about judgment day?
- How do you think our priorities might be rearranged on judgment day? Will the things we view as important today seem as important in front of God?

Read 2 Corinthians 5:14-15.

- How does Jesus' death prove his love for us? What is our response to that great love?
- Explain what Paul means when he writes that since Christ died, we all died. How did we all die? How do we all die?
- It's been said that we all would die for Jesus, but we have a hard time living for Jesus. What does it mean to live for Christ?

Application (20 minutes)

- What motivates you more in your walk with Christ, his coming judgment, or his love for you shown at the cross?
- If Jesus totally had his way with you, what would change in your life? What would you do differently? What part of your day would be impacted?
- How would Central change if we were all compelled by Christ's love instead of compelled by our own wishes and desires? How would something like that start?
- If you gave just one-quarter of the time and energy and money you spend on your favorite hobby to Christ and his Kingdom, what would that look like?

Prayer (10 minutes)