

## APPLICATION QUESTIONS

Applying this message to everyday life.

1. If someone were to find one ounce of hypocrisy in your life, what would it most likely be?
2. How could you improve communications so that the people in your life would be up on all that is going on in your life?
3. When surprised by new information that you are not up on, what steps could you take to keep yourself from a dismissive response?
4. Pray together for the suffering, for the sick, for the nation and for anyone who has wandered from the faith.

*Axioms*

*#704 What You're Not Up On, You're Down On*

*Acts 9:1-26*

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The great challenge to this axiom is \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_.

The default position of ignorance is \_\_\_\_\_.

Many are down on Christianity because they are not up on the \_\_\_\_\_.

### **1 Corinthians 15:19-20a**

If only for this life we have hope in Christ, we are of all people most to be pitied. But Christ has indeed been raised from the dead,

When you lack \_\_\_\_\_, you are inclined to question God and His ways.

You can overcome your spiritual \_\_\_\_\_ as you learn to trust God.

When you are not up on something you need to speak to someone you trust who \_\_\_\_\_ more than you.

God's ways are \_\_\_\_\_, requiring personal faith to see the truth.

When you are up on something that others are not, the \_\_\_\_\_ of persuasion may be necessary.

## GETTING-TO-KNOW-ME QUESTIONS

Sharing time to warm up your group.

- A. Do like surprises? Why or why not?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
- B. Can you name a secret that was kept from you for too long of a time? How did you feel once you learned the truth?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
- C. Share a personal axiom.
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
2. Contrast the story of Ananias and Sapphira to that of Achan (Joshua 6:18, 7:1-26). What similarities do you find?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
3. Do you feel like God's judgment of Ananias and Sapphira was appropriate? Justify your answer.
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
4. If you were a member of the church where the event of Acts 4:32-5:11 happened, how would it have impacted your faith?

## LIFE GROUP HOMEWORK

Prepare to discuss your answer to the following questions.

### Quick Review

1. As you reflect on last week's sermon, what one principle or insight stands out as being particularly helpful, insightful or difficult to grasp?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
5. Why do you suppose that God does not execute the same punishment over gross sin as He did at the genesis of the early Church?