Paul’s Response to the Early
Christian Communities

**1.** Circle the passage that has been assigned to your group:

1 Thessalonians 4:1–8 (call to holiness)

1 Corinthians 11:17–33 (abuse of the Eucharist)

1 Corinthians chapter 8 (eating meat sacrificed to idols)

2 Corinthians 11:1–15 (false apostles)

Galatians 5:13–26 (be of service)

Philemon, verses 7–20 (plea for Onesimus)

Romans 14:1–11 (do not judge)

**2.** Read your assigned passage.

**3.** With the members of your group, discuss the following questions, and record your group’s responses on a separate piece of paper. You may use the student book, as well as other resources, to help you understand more fully the problem being addressed.

To whom is Paul writing in your assigned passage?

What problem is Paul addressing in his letter?

Does he propose a solution to this problem? What solution does he offer?