

COMMUNITY GROUP HOMEWORK

The week of Sunday, January 27th

***Last week's sermon & this homework can be found at gbcmt.org/sermons or on the GBC App*

Prayer and Praise:

Recall some of the most discouraging times in your life. How could you praise the Lord for the grace He supplied to you in the seasons?

What difficult burdens are you now carrying? (Galatians 6:2)

After prayer, please continue praising God through song: #182 – *What a Friend We Have in Jesus*.

Together in the Word:

1. Why was Paul discouraged and disheartened in his second (fourth) letter to the church in Corinth? _____

2. Why does it seem that our ministry in the lives of others has a tendency to create great discouragement in our own hearts? Have you experienced this?

3. The book of 2 Corinthians divides into three sections following the introduction. What are these three sections? _____

4. When we turn to study a particular book of the Bible (particularly the epistles), why is it helpful to know the outline of the book? _____

5. As we all are called to be teachers of the Bible in some capacity (Matt 28:20, Col 1:28, & Titus 2:3), what can we learn from 2 Corinthians 2:17 regarding our teaching ministry? _____

6. Why should we give our money to the Lord's work? See 2 Corinthians 8:7-9.

AN EMOTIONAL WRECK

2 Corinthians

Series #1

The following are questions designed to facilitate greater learning and deeper understanding of spiritual truths presented in the sermon: **“An Emotional Wreck.”** All of the questions are answered as the sermon is presented. We hope that it will be a catalyst to spiritual growth in your life.

1. Sometimes, ministry can be what kind of experience?
2. The national average shows that most pastors leave their churches because of how many people?
3. Spiritual leadership has its what?
4. The Apostle Paul seemed to have written how many letters to the church at Corinth?
5. The letter we call First Corinthians was probably which letter?
6. Who reported to Paul that opposition had developed against Paul in the church at Corinth?
7. Where is letter #3 mentioned in 2 Corinthians?
8. Letter #3 was delivered to the church by whom?
9. A majority of the church responded in what way to Paul's “Letter #3?”

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10. The pervading theme of 2 Corinthians is Paul's defense of what?
11. Paul wanted the believers to recognize his authority so they would do what?
12. What book is the most personal and intimate letter of the New Testament?
13. Paul was extremely concerned for the believers because of the presence of what?
14. Paul was an emotional what (in this letter)?
15. What is the theme of Paul's introduction in this letter?
16. God uses our difficult experiences in our lives to equip us to do what?
17. God allows adversity to teach us to do what?
18. From 1:12 through 7:16, Paul explains what?
19. What are the various things that Paul explains?
20. From 4:3-7, we saw that Paul trusted God for what?
21. What is one of the motives to live life to please the Lord?
22. In chapter 6, Paul begins to exhort the believers to do what?
23. Paul exhorted the believers to respond properly to the Lord and to whom?
24. In chapters 8-9, Paul gives the longest discussion in the New Testament on what subject?
25. Generosity in giving to the Lord's work or a lack thereof is a reflection of what?
26. When it comes to sacrificial giving, Paul wants us to follow what example?
27. In 10:1-13:10, Paul defends what?
28. How did Paul feel about saying some of the things he had to say in his letter?
29. What did Paul boast in?
30. It is encouraging to realize that we aren't the only ones to do what?