## COMMUNITY GROUP HOMEWORK

The week of Sunday, October 27th

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

## **Prayer and Praise:**

As a group, briefly share about what the Lord has been teaching you through your own personal study of God's word.

	After prayer, please continue praising God through song: #175 – "Man of Sorrows What a Name"
	According to Romans 15:22–27, why are we, as Gentiles, indebted to the Jewish people?
2.	Read 2 Corinthians 8:16–24. Why was Titus the ideal servant for the task of delivering Paul's message?
3.	In verse 19, Paul said that they "administered" the gift unto the glory of God. When we are tempted to mishandle money, how should we counsel ourselves?
4.	What is wrong with the statement, "It doesn't matter what people think, as long as you know you are right before God"?
5.	Consider Ephesians 5:3-13. Why is even a "hint" (NIV) of any of these sins improper for God's holy people?
6.	Is there any area of your life where you need to grow in integrity? Or, is there any area of your life or behavior that is inconsistent with the gospel of Christ?

## HANDLING FINANCES WITH INTEGRITY

2 Corinthians 8:16-24 Series #26

The following are questions designed to facilitate greater learning and deeper understanding of spiritual truths presented in the sermon: "Handling Finances with Integrity." 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. What is the one of the most difficult and awkward subjects for Pastor Bryan to address?
- 2. Why is it so difficult to speak on the subject of giving?
- 3. What is the subject of 2 Corinthians 8-9?
- 4. What believers were in desperate straits because of a famine, thus prompting Paul to write what he wrote here in 2 Corinthians?
- 5. Were the Gentile believers eager to participate in the endeavor of the financial collection?
- 6. Paul wrote the letter of Romans from what city?
- 7. Paul collected money to take to the needy Jewish Christians while he was on which journey?
- 8. Jewish Christians found it difficult to accept the fact that Gentiles could be saved without first becoming what?
- 9. Peter, an Apostle, had a hard time accepting what fact?
- 10. Paul collecting money from the Gentiles to help the Jewish believers was seen by Paul as a way to reinforce what reality?

- 11. Paul refers to Jewish Christians in verse 25 as what?
- 12. The emphasis of the term "saint" is on what, rather than practical reality?
- 13. The term "saint" Biblically is used to refer to whom?
- 14. The Jerusalem church consisted of how many Jewish Christians?
- 15. The "hang-up" regarding the relationship between Jewish and Gentile Christians was on which side?
- 16. The Gentile Christians understood their responsibility to share their material blessings with the ones from whom they received what?
- 17. It is accurate to say that there's a sense in which we received our salvation through whom?
- 18. In 2<sup>nd</sup> Corinthians 8:10-15, Paul encouraged the Corinthians to do what with good intentions?
- 19. Who was the messenger between Paul and the Corinthians?
- 20. In addition to the dangers of traveling, Titus had the task of delivering what to the believers in Corinth?
- 21. Titus did what Paul asked him to do, but he also did what?
- 22. What do we know about the other man who went with Titus?
- 23. Who chose the "other man" who went with Titus?

- 24. The believers of the I<sup>st</sup> Century understood how important it was to be totally above board in the handling of what?
- 25. When money is mishandled in Christian ministry, it gives an immense opportunity for what to happen?
- 26. Paul took extra precautions to make sure that nothing wrong was done and to make sure that there was no what?
- 27. How do we know that this was a large sum of money delivered?
- 28. Does it matter what people think of us?
- 29. It is possible/probable that there were how many in the delegation to deliver the offering?
- 30. Paul described the two men accompanying Titus as men who were what?
- 31. Is your desire to be described as an honor to Christ"?
- 32. Paul referred to the two men as what?
- 33. The term "apostle" means what?
- 34. Was Jesus ever called an apostle? If so, where and why?
- 35. Paul wanted to make sure the Corinthians knew that these men had what?
- 36. What is an important part of the Christian life?