

COMMUNITY GROUP HOMEWORK

The week of Sunday, March 15th

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

Prayer and Praise:

Begin your time together by reading Psalm 46. With fears of the Coronavirus escalating around the globe, what should be our response according to Psalm 46?

As you go to prayer, spend some time praising God for His sovereign control of the universe. Also spend some time praying that we as Christians would respond to this crisis in hope-filled trust, Christ-like love, and bold evangelism. Then, together sing #410 – *It Is Well with My Soul*.

Together in the Word:

1. Read Jeremiah 23:1-4. What can be learned about the role of spiritual shepherds from this passage? _____

2. Read Ezekiel 34:1-10. In what ways did the leaders of Israel fail as spiritual shepherds? _____

3. Read 2 Corinthians 13:5-14. What was Paul's motive in praying for the church of Corinth in verse 7? _____

4. In verses 9-10, Paul expresses his desire to see the church of Corinth grow to maturity in Christ. Should we have a similar desire for our fellow church members? Explain. _____

5. Of the six commands found in verses 11-12, which one do you believe you should give the most attention to? Where are you weakest? _____

The Yearning in the Heart of a Shepherd

2 Corinthians 13:7-14

Series #40

The following are questions designed to facilitate greater learning and deeper understanding of spiritual truths presented in the sermon: **“The Yearning in the Heart of a Shepherd.”** 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. We see the mind of the Apostle Paul in Romans. What do we see about Paul in 2nd Corinthians?
2. What Paul wanted more than anything else for the Corinthians was what?
3. Jeremiah 23 records God's indictment on what group?
4. None of the shortcomings or wrongs found in Ezekiel 34 were true of what person?
5. Was Paul stating things from resentment or bitterness when he stated what he said in 2nd Corinthians 12:15?
6. Paul's first comment in verse 7 is that they would do no what?
7. Paul challenged the people in the church of Corinth to do what (as seen in verse 5)?
8. The writers of the New Testament (including Paul) were fully aware of the fact that genuine believers can do what?
9. When Paul saw the Corinthians doing wrong, he didn't jump to the the conclusion that they weren't what?
10. Paul knew they could make the choice to do evil, so he did what for them?

11. What did Job do for his children?
12. When it comes to praying that one would not do evil, who do we pray for?
13. Paul got to the point with the Corinthians where he wondered if some of them were what?
14. Paul didn't want what (as a result of praying for the Corinthians)?
15. Paul wanted the assurance in his heart that the Corinthians were what?
16. What word in verse 8 tells us that we have to tie the meaning of the verse into the context?
17. Paul never used his apostolic position to do what?
18. Paul was willing to be weak or seen as weak if it meant that the Corinthians would what?
19. According to Romans 9:3, what was Paul willing to be if that would result in the salvation of his fellow Jewish kinsmen?
20. Is there anyone you love to such an extent that you would be willing to be accursed from Christ if it would result in their salvation?
21. Paul never wanted to use his authority as an apostle to do what?
22. No one in his right mind enjoys being in what?
23. Paul used firmness in his letter so he wouldn't have to use what when he came to visit the Corinthians?
24. Why do we not want to sit in judgment on 2nd Corinthians?
25. What do we need to remember when we use 2nd Corinthians to address issues in people's lives?
26. How did Paul say "goodbye" in this letter to the Corinthians?
27. What is the second imperative Paul gives?
28. A third imperative given by Paul is for the people to what?
29. What is one of the problems that plagued the Corinthian church?
30. What do we not experience if we are disobedient?
31. To greet one another biblically is an expression of deep love because of what?
32. Paul wanted the Corinthians to recognize their what, so he sent greetings from believers in other areas?
33. Verse 14 is one of the rare places in the Bible where what are mentioned?
34. Why did Paul use the order of the names of the persons of the Trinity in the order in which he did?
35. Is there a logical or relational subordination in the Godhead?
36. Are you receptive and responsive to God's Word?