### **COMMUNITY GROUP HOMEWORK**

The week of Sunday, December 9th

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

#### Prayer and Praise:

In our last official Community Group meeting for 2018, what can you be thankful for over the past year? How has God demonstrated His faithfulness to you personally?

Are there any particular ways that you could resolve to discipline yourself for the purpose of godliness in 2019 (1 Tim 4:7)?

After prayer, please continue praising God through song: #60 - Be Thou My Vision.

#### Together in the Word:

- 1. Why does sin separate unbelievers from God?
- 2. In his sermon, Pastor Bryan said, "The righteousness of Jesus Christ has been placed in our spiritual bank account." What did he mean by this? What verses would support this?
- 3. What did Pastor Bryan mean by the following statement: "Unconfessed sin doesn't affect our union with Christ but it certainly affects our communion with Christ?"

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- 4. Read Luke 7:36-49. Who are those who love God/Jesus the most? How does love for Christ manifest itself?
- 5. What is the difference between positional and relational forgiveness?

6. When you don't feel like forgiving someone who has wronged you or someone you love, how should you counsel your own heart? (See Matthew 18:21-35.)

# THE GREATEST GIFT OF ALL

## Selected Scriptures

(December 9, 2018)

The following are questions designed to facilitate greater learning and deeper understanding of spiritual truths presented in the sermon on titled: **"The Greatest Gift of All."** 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 greatest gift of all?
- 2. What specifically about that gift makes it the greatest gift of all?
- 3. Everything wrong and bad that has ever happened in world history is the result of what?
- 4. What is the worst thing about our sin?
- 5. The very fact that we are not already in the lake of fire is astounding what?
- 6. According to Psalm 86:5, God is a God who is ready to do what?
- 7. God is a forgiving God, but He is also what kind of God?
- 8. What provides the basis for God to be able to forgive us and still maintain His justice?

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- 9. From Colossians 2:13 what do we learn about our sin and forgiveness?
- 10. What is wrong with the "only sin you specifically confess is forgiven" teaching?
- 11. "Our standing" in Christ is what?
- 12. Our standing before God is all based on the what?
- 13. Our spiritual state depends on our spiritual condition, not our what?
- 14. The goal of the Christian life is to see to it that our condition matches what?
- 15. Unconfessed sin doesn't affect our union with Christ but it does affect what?
- 16. If we realize the greatness of the gift of forgiveness that causes what to be great?
- 17. Summarize Jesus' point in Luke 7:36-43.
- 18. God has not only given us positional forgiveness. He also gives us what?
- 19. God has given us the greatest gift of all but the question is whether or not we will give what?
- 20. The debt of the man described in Matthew 18:22-24 was how many dollars?
- 21. The debt the one servant owed the other (Matthew 18:25-28) was how much?

- 22. Bitterness and resentment hurts whom?
- 23. If anybody ever had reason to be bitter and resentful it was whom?
- 24. The name, "Manasseh" means what?
- 25. When we are wronged by someone (anyone) we have to determine whether we are going to hold grudges or do what?
- 26. What is the first reason why you possibly have made a choice to not forgive someone who has wronged you?
- 27. What is a second possible reason for why you possibly won't forgive someone who has wronged you?
- 28. Have you ever recognized your sin, faced your sin, acknowledged your sin and repented of your sin?
- 29. Forgiveness is connected to what?
- 30. Jesus is saying in Matthew 9:9-13 that only those who recognize their sinfulness will respond to what?
- 31. Those who don't recognize their sinfulness, won't repent, so they will die with the wretched disease of sin doing what?
- 32. Where are you at today? Do you recognize that you are a vile sinner in need of forgiveness?
- 33. If you are already a recipient of the gift of God's forgiveness, are you letting bitterness destroy your life?