

COMMUNITY GROUP HOMEWORK

The week of Sunday, February 3rd

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

Prayer and Praise:

As we will be considering Paul's missionary activity in the city of Corinth, let's spend some of our prayer time considering GBC's Outreach Partners.

After prayer, please continue praising God through song: #135 – *Nothing but the Blood*.

Together in the Word:

1. Read Acts 18:1-11. Why did Paul customarily begin his missionary activity in a city by preaching in the synagogues? _____

2. Why did Paul proclaim to the Jews, "Your blood be on your own heads!" (v.6). What did he mean by this statement? _____

3. Why was Paul tempted to stop preaching and teaching in Corinth? Can you relate? _____

4. In the vision that Paul received in Corinth, what did the Lord mean by these words, "I have many people in this city"? (v.10) _____

5. Read 2 Corinthians 1:1-2. In his opening greeting, why did Paul include this phrase, "an apostle of Jesus Christ by the will of God"? _____

6. Who was the intended audience of Paul's letter? Why is that important to know? _____

AN AWKWARD RELATIONSHIP

2 Corinthians 1:1-2

Series #2

The following are questions designed to facilitate greater learning and deeper understanding of spiritual truths presented in the sermon: **"An Awkward Relationship."** 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. Relationships are what?
2. Our relationships can get messy or awkward or tense because we are what?
3. God's Word has much to say about how to have what?
4. 2nd Corinthians tells us much about the strained relationship between Paul and what group?
5. What journey is Paul on when we come to Acts 18?
6. When Paul comes to Corinth, how is he physically?
7. Paul didn't see himself as what?
8. Where did Paul go first to do ministry when he came into a city?
9. The word "opposed" in Acts 18:5 means what?
10. How did a Jewish person communicate, "That's it! I'm done with you?"

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11. Titus Justus was evidently a God-fearing Gentile who happened to live where?
12. Instead of being encouraged, Paul was what?
13. What was Paul afraid of?
14. Does that surprise you and encourage you that Paul was afraid?
15. What was Paul tempted to do in his fear?
16. Paul knew that the Lord was with him on an intellectual level, but not on what level?
17. In response to the report of divisions and the letter with questions, what letter did Paul write?
18. Though receiving joyous news from Titus about some believers in Corinth, Paul knew human nature, so he wrote what letter in response?
19. Was Paul being somewhat selfish/self-centered in his letter of 2nd Corinthians?
20. Paul expressed his heart in an open manner, even though he knew he would be what?
21. Who was with Paul when Paul wrote 2nd Corinthians and who also probably wrote what Paul dictated?
22. What does Paul have to state in defending himself?
23. In what sense is Paul unique among the Apostles?
24. Would you say that you are discerning when you hear things about people and the church?
25. Who does it hurt when a person is consumed and eaten up with anger and bitterness towards others?
26. Paul refers to the believers in Corinth and Achaia as what?
27. The term “saints” is used through the New Testament to refer to whom?
28. Our position in Christ is one of perfect what?
29. Paul loved to remind believers of who they are in Christ as a motivation for what?
30. We know that many of the believers in the church at Corinth were NOT living what kind of life?
31. What was the Greek way of wishing God’s best to someone? What was the Hebrew way of doing so?
32. There is no way to experience peace with God or the peace of God without what?
33. Do you personally have peace with God?