

COMMUNITY GROUP HOMEWORK

The week of Sunday, April 28th

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

Prayer and Praise:

As we transition toward summer, how do you plan to grow in Christ over the summer months?

As a group, spend some time praising the Lord for specific people in our church that He has put in your life to encourage your faith.

After prayer, please continue praising God through song: #342 – *Rock of Ages, Cleft for Me*.

Together in the Word:

1. Read 2 Corinthians 11:16-23. Why was Paul boasting? _____

2. Read 2 Corinthians 3:1-6. Why did Paul not need a letter of recommendation? _____

3. Why did Paul refer to the church of Corinth as a letter of Christ? (v.3) _____

4. Could someone look at your life since becoming a follower of Jesus Christ and say, "You are a letter of Christ"? What evidence do you see of spiritual transformation in your own life? _____

5. Pastor Bryan noted that in ministry "we leave the results to the Lord." Does this mean we should not pursue excellence in things like evangelism and discipleship? Why or why not? _____

6. Think about the statement in 2 Corinthians 3:5, "but our sufficiency is from God." In what areas of your life are you struggling to believe this truth? _____

OUR SUFFICIENCY IS FROM GOD

2 Corinthians 3:1-6

Series #9

The following are questions designed to facilitate greater learning and deeper understanding of spiritual truths presented in the sermon: **"Our Sufficiency is from God."** 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. People often feel what?
2. What is something many people turn to when feeling overwhelmed?
3. Is it bad to think of Christianity as a crutch?
4. What rhetorical question did Paul ask as he detailed all of the hardships and difficulties of life and ministry?
5. Paul wrote the emotional letter, 2nd Corinthians, because someone or some people were trying to do what?
6. How did Paul feel about defending himself to the Corinthian believers?
7. Paul knew he was what?
8. When a church body cannot trust the character/integrity/ministry of one in spiritual leadership the fallout is what?
9. In verse 1, Paul is asking if he needs to do what again?
10. Did the Corinthian believers know Paul or his detractors better?

11. Paul asks the church in Corinth if he needs to get what kind of letters?
12. Who was proof of Paul's apostleship?
13. How much time did Paul spend ministering in Corinth?
14. The Corinthians who heard the gospel and believed were not content to just believe the gospel. They made a what?
15. We know that the city of Corinth was what kind of city?
16. Who was the best letter of recommendation for Paul?
17. The Corinthians were what kind of letter?
18. Jesus described the new birth as being what?
19. What verse in the Old Testament describes the new birth?
20. Everywhere Paul went he lived and behaved properly and proclaimed what?
21. Paul had great confidence in the gospel because he knew it was what?
22. Paul understood that the gospel is the divine message that is energized by whom?
23. Paul had confidence to carry out ministry because he knew that the results didn't what?
24. We are not called to be successful. We are called to be what?
25. In 1st Corinthians 4 Paul used the illustration of being a what?
26. Our confidence before God is Christ and His what??
27. Paul has been expressing his confidence in the power of God's truth to do what?
28. Is the Bible just the thoughts, opinions, and musings of men?
29. What verses in I Corinthians tell us how the gospel radically changed the lives of the Corinthians?
30. In verse 5, Paul was acknowledging that the demands of ministry are what?
31. Will God ever ask us to do anything for which He fails to provide enough strength?
32. God makes us competent or adequate through what?
33. Paul saw himself as a minister or servant of what?
34. The Old Covenant is a reference to the what?
35. Jesus fulfilled the old covenant in His teaching and in His what?
36. If we try to present the old covenant, it's not going to what?
37. Have you embraced and been transformed by the powerful gospel of Christ?