COMMUNITY GROUP HOMEWORK

The week of Sunday, March 1st

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

Prayer and Praise:

As a group, spend some time sharing about recent evangelistic opportunities within your group. Encourage one another to be faithful to this great work!

After prayer, please continue praising God through song: *#277 – Take My Life, and Let it Be Consecrated.*

Together in the Word:

1. Read 2 Corinthians 12:14–21. What can be learned from verse 14 regarding parenting and discipleship? _____
2. Consider verse 15; "I will most gladly spend and be spent for your souls." How? _____
3. Do the Scriptures require all Christians to spend their lives for the spiritual well-being of others? Explain with Scripture. _____
4. What are some ways that normal Christians today can have intentional relationships with others for the purpose of spiritual growth (i.e., discipleship)? _____
5. In the context of verse 19, what does Paul's statement mean – "We speak before God in Christ"? Could you say the same? _____
6. Consider the sins listed in verses 21 and 22. How can sins like this destroy even a healthy church? _____

NOT LOOKING FORWARD TO THE VISIT

2 Corinthians 12:14-21

Series #38

The following are questions designed to facilitate greater learning and deeper understanding of spiritual truths presented in the sermon: **"Not Looking Forward to the Visit."** 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. Have you ever had to take a trip to visit someone but you weren't very excited about going?
2. From the verses read, what was Paul anticipating and having apprehension about?
3. Paul came to Corinth on which missionary journey?
4. When Paul came to Corinth, he was what?
5. Paul didn't see himself as what?
6. Paul often felt what?
7. Paul often started his ministry in what location in a city?
8. What do we know about the opposition that Paul faced in Corinth?
9. A Jewish way of saying, "That's it. I'm done with you," is what?
10. Paul said in Romans 9 that he would be willing to be damned if it would result in what?
11. Where did Paul move his base of operations to after the synagogue?

12. Paul began to battle fear because his experience up to this point had shown him that what would increase?

13. Does it surprise you and encourage you that Paul was afraid?

14. Because of the condition he was in, who personally came to reassure Paul and encourage him to continue in ministry?

15. Paul wasn't battling what?

16. Where did Paul first reference his original letter to the Corinthian church?

17. Paul referred to his return visit to the church in Corinth as what kind of visit?

18. What kind of report did Titus bring to Paul concerning the church in Corinth?

19. Paul made sure that the church in Corinth knew he wasn't interested in their money but in what?

20. Paul was well aware of the fact that the church in Corinth would not reciprocate what?

21. God was the perfect, loving parent, but what did His children do?

22. One of the main reasons that compelled Paul to write this letter was because of the what?

23. What did Paul not accept from the church in Corinth?

24. The accusers also said that Paul used craftiness, trickery, and guile to do what?

25. Paul uses satire to demonstrate what?

26. Paul wanted giving to the Lord to come from where?

27. Paul's ministry partners always exercised what?

28. Paul knew that when money is mishandled in Christian ministry, it gives immense opportunity for what to happen?

29. Paul and his associates always conducted themselves with what?

30. Paul did not write these things for what?

31. What was Paul's secondary goal as seen in verse 19?

32. Paul didn't want to arrive in Corinth and find out that the disposition of many of the Corinthians was what?

33. Paul's relationship with the Corinthians had often been what?

34. Paul didn't want his visit to end up in more what for the Corinthians?

35. What does sin do in life and relationships?

36. Do you hate sin? Really hate sin?