

COMMUNITY GROUP HOMEWORK

The week of Sunday, September 23rd

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

Prayer and Praise:

Think back over your Christian life, what are some things or some people that the Lord has used to encourage you in your walk of faith?

What is the last verse you memorized? Can you share it with the group? Why do Christians memorize Scripture?

After prayer, please continue praising God through song: #4 – To God Be the Glory.

Together in the Word:

1. Read Hebrews 12:1-13. When something hard or painful happens in our lives, what are some questions we should ask ourselves? _____

2. What does it mean that God “scourges every son whom He receives” (v.6)?

3. Why is it important to understand God’s sovereignty as we encounter various trials in life? _____

4. In verse 10 we see that through discipline we become partakers of God’s holiness. What does this mean? _____

5. In verses 12-13, the author of Hebrews continues to use the analogy of running a long race. What is the result of failing to run a race without endurance especially when you are tired? _____

6. When we are tired and weary from running the marathon of faith that is the Christian life, what should we believe and what should we do in response? .

Sermon Prep: Read Hebrews 12

ENDURING DISCIPLINE

Hebrews 12:5-13

Series #34

The following are questions designed to facilitate greater learning and deeper understanding of spiritual truths presented in the sermon: **“Enduring Discipline.”** 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. It doesn't take technical climbing to climb Mt. Kilimanjaro. It takes what?
2. It doesn't take great giftedness, talent, or abilities to be a successful Christian. A major component is what?
3. The writer of Hebrews is exhorting and encouraging the readers to do what?
4. What four verses in Hebrews 12:1-13 speak of endurance?
5. We should view our trials and suffering as God's tools to do what?
6. What does the Lord do when we are in sin and need to repent of it but we don't do anything about it?
7. From Romans 5 we see that suffering produces endurance and endurance produces what?

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8. We need to remember that the purpose of discipline is to form within us what?
9. As new creations in Christ, our most profound or intense desire is to be what?
10. God is NOT the cause of what?
11. Is evil outside of God's sovereignty?
12. Does God take His people through horrible things and evil experiences and hurtful events in life?
13. What biblical character is an example of how Satan did horrendous things to him but God allowed it?
14. The Lord allows us to go through things or takes us through things that we don't want to experience and are not pleasant so we can what?
15. What word is used that refers to a severe and painful form of beating?
16. The Holy Spirit indicates that adversity or chastening is the mark of what?
17. The prosperity preachers have done what to the gospel?
18. Having your best life now is NOT the experience of whom?
19. If the Lord isn't working in your heart and in your life through the hardships of life, then you don't what?
20. The Lord cares and He sustains us and He's always out for what?
21. We should submit to and subject ourselves to the process God has for us. If we do that, we will do what?
22. If we do what Romans 12:1-2 says, then our experience will show and demonstrate and prove that God's will is what?
23. God does what He does for what?
24. Our heavenly Father loves us so much that He is willing to do whatever it takes to do what?
25. What kind of business is our heavenly Father in?
26. Our heavenly Father is training us and molding us in what?
27. According to verse 12, what should we do when we walk through adversity, hardship, and suffering?
28. What are we NOT passive in?
29. There are times in life that we need to determine that we are not going to do what?
30. The author of Hebrews warns the readers that if they keep thinking about going down the wrong path, what will happen?
31. The recipients of Hebrews were in some really tough circumstances in life but the answer wasn't to give up and do what?
32. Are you in a tough circumstance in life?
33. What does God want you to do in this tough circumstance?