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NOVEMBER 6: COMFORT

2 CORINTHIANS 1:3-5


1. How did Paul address God (v.3)? When you address God, what characteristics of God do you think of?
2. For what reasons does God comfort us (v.4)?
3. Read 2 Corinthians 1:5-7. Whether he was afflicted or comforted, how did Paul believe it would benefit the Corinthian church? How has God been the source of comfort to you with your afflictions and troubles recently?
4. How has God allowed your affliction or troubles to influence another person and allow you to impact them with the love of Jesus?



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NOVEMBER 13: PERFECTIONISM

MATTHEW 5:43-44; 46-48

1. Do you consider yourself to be a perfectionist? If so, how does this cause you stress, fear, insecurity etc.?
2. How does Facebook, Instagram or Pinterest influence your life-style to be 'perfect'? What does our culture have to say about striving for perfectionism?
3. Paul wrote to the Romans (Romans 3:20-22) about the reality of the Law. If we are not able to live by the letter of the Law, what is the solution for us to be right with God?
4. Define the concepts of 'perfectionism' and 'grace'. Which is a focus on self and which is a focus on Jesus? From Ephesians 2:8-10, what assurance do you receive about your role to be 'perfect'?
5. Jesus wants us to choose people over perfectionism (Luke 10:41-42). When have you chosen perfectionism over people and when have you chosen people over perfectionism? Which gives you the greatest satisfaction?
6. Jesus said in Matthew 5:48 we are to choose perfect love over perfectionism (in Greek, the word perfect is teleios, to be mature or made complete). So to love everyone completely as God loves, how will you impact the world and value every[one] you meet, influence every[where] you go, and live generously with every[thing] you have?



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NOVEMBER 20: MONEY AND STUFF

LUKE 12:15, 1 TIMOTHY 6:17-19

1. List the things you need, and the things you want, in order to be happy or satisfied. What does Jesus' warning from Luke 12:15 say to you about your list?
2. From Ecclesiastes 5:19, what is the source of your wealth and all your possessions?
3. How does your lifestyle reflect the truth of Jesus' warning to 'be on guard'?
4. When has God taken your 'little' and blessed it to be 'more' and how have you used that for impacting the lives of others?
5. How has God convicted you about your wealth and what changes will you make to live more generously with all you have?

Challenge: Insert your name into 1 Timothy 6:17-19 and make it a personal goal.