

KEY VERSE OF WEEK 10

So, whether you eat or drink, or whatever you do,
do everything for the glory of God."

1 Corinthians 10:31

CONTEXT

As we move into Chapter 10, Paul began to take the Corinthian church on a history lesson of God's people. He reminded them that God was faithful to the Israelites. He recounted stories of how God delivered His people from Egypt and how He provided for them, even though they would choose to do things their way instead of God's.

Paul wanted the Corinthians to see that they were being very much like The Israelites.
iPaul quotes Exodus 32:6 in verse 6:

"So the next day the people rose early and sacrificed burnt offerings and presented fellowship offerings. Afterward they sat down to eat and drink and got up to indulge in revelry."

The Israelites had an idolatry problem. Paul reminded them that even as Moses was meeting with God, they grew impatient and made an idol to worship. They had just seen an amazing miracle in the splitting of the Red Sea and how God had defeated their enemies and set them free, but they couldn't wait on Him anymore and turned their backs on God to worship an idol.

Paul wants the Corinthians to know that they too are placing themselves in places where idols are. They are hanging out in spaces and places and by doing so, God is not getting the glory.

He wants them to know that they can't live one way as a Christ Follower, and a completely different way the rest of the time. They had an idolatry problem.

Stephen Um in Preaching the Word Commentary: 1 Corinthians. on page 181 writes: "...idolatry hinders us from fully enjoying life and God the way we should. It's not that we want other things instead of Christ, it's that we want Christ plus other things. "

God is faithful to us, even as we struggle to be faithful to Him time and time again. But the thing is, that Jesus is able to draw us close to Him and help us overcome the temptation to wander from Him. We have to continue to draw close to Him everyday and have Him search our hearts to see if there are any areas of our life that are not surrendered to Him. We have to ask Him if our hearts are split in worship to Him and worship to self.

Everything we do is for His story...for His glory. We get to surrender our plans, or dreams, our gifts, our time and see what God does with it for His Kingdom. And Sis, our plans aren't nuthin compared to what God has in store for us. But it's for His glory...not ours. He is Lord and thank goodness we are not.

Praying for you, Sis!

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"RUN FROM IDOLS AND RUN TO JESUS"

1 CORINTHIANS 10

DISCUSS HOW REMINDING THE CORINTHIAN CHURCH OF THE ISRAELITES REBELLION AGAINST GOD WOULD BE A WARNING TO THE CHURCH THEN AND NOW.

WHAT EVIL THINGS DOES PAUL WARN THE CORINTHIAN CHURCH AGAINST IN VERSES 7-10? CAN YOU RELATE TO ANY OF THEM? HOW ARE YOU DEALING WITH THEM?

HOW DID GOD RESPOND TO THE SIN OF THE ISRAELITES? DO YOU THINK IT WAS HARSH? WHY OR WHY NOT?

WHY DO YOU THINK TEMPTATION EXISTS? WHEN YOU ARE CONFRONTED WITH A TEMPTATION, WHAT SHOULD YOU DO? HOW IS GOD PROVIDING YOU A WAY OUT OF YOUR TEMPTATION?

DISCUSS THE SIMILARITY BETWEEN THE ISRAELITES AND US AS IT RELATES TO GOD, BLESSINGS AND TEMPTATIONS.

PRAY

Before you start to read the chapter of the week, ask The Lord to help you read His Word today. Ask Him to teach you today. Ask Him to see things in your own life you can't see. Ask Him to help you take what you read and apply it.

READ

What verses are you reading from today? _____

What version of the bible are you reading it in today? (Try reading it in 3 different translations. Circle the translations you are reading it in below.)

Formal Translations:

"word for word" translation

New American Standard
English Standard Version
Holman Christian Standard
Revised Standard Version
New RSV

Functional Translations:

"Thought for thought"

New International Version
New American Bible
Revised English Bible
Good News Bible
New Living Translation

Free Translations:

"A Paraphrase"

New English Bible
Living Bible
The Message

IN YOUR OWN WORDS

Write out what is happening in the verses you read. Put it in your own words.

APPLY

Reflect on what you just read, and walk through these questions with Jesus.

Is there a sin I need to confess to Him and ask Him to forgive me?

Is there a truth that I need to believe today?

Is there a promise that I need to hear and hold on to today?

Is there something I need to ask The Lord to help me live differently because of what I just read?

QUESTIONS

What questions came up when you read the verses today? Were there words or customs that you didn't understand? Write those out. Those are important to not just pass over. Those are some of the ways He calls your attention to something you need to pay attention to in your own life.

PRAY/JOURNAL

Take some time to pray/journal after your time of reading. Ask God to change your heart so that you look more and more like Him and less and less like the world. Ask Him to break your heart for what breaks His heart. Ask Him to help you focus on Him and less on what is all around you.