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STRENGTH for the Stresses

“How Strength Is Made Perfect in Weakness”

STUDY NUMBER ONE – “Love Lost” – 1 Corinthians 13:1-3

Notes

v. 1 If I am speaking with the tongues of men and of angels, but I am not having love, I have become a noisy brass gong or a clashing cymbal.

v. 2 And if I am having the gift of prophecy and know all the mysteries and all the knowledge, and if I am having all the faith so that I am able to remove mountains but I am not having love, I am nothing.

v. 3 And if I give away all my possessions to feed the poor and if I give up my body in order that I may glory but I am not having love, it is profiting me nothing.

LESSONS FROM THE PASSAGE:

STUDY NUMBER TWO – “Love Is . . .” – 1 Corinthians 13:4-7Notes

v. 4 Love is patient, love is kind, is not filled with jealousy; love is not bragging, is not showing itself off (puffed up),
v. 5 is not behaving disgracefully (indecently), it is not taking evil into account,
v. 6 is not rejoicing in unrighteousness, but is rejoicing with the truth;
v. 7 is keeping confidential (covering) all things, is believing all things, is hoping all things, is enduring all things.

LESSONS FROM THE PASSAGE:

STUDY NUMBER THREE – “Love Lasts” – 1 Corinthians 13:8-13 Notes

v. 8 Love is never coming to an end; but if there are gifts of prophecy, they will be done away; if there are languages, they will come to an end (stop); if there is knowledge, it will be done away.

v. 9 For we are knowing in part, and we are prophesying in part;

v. 10 but when that which is perfect comes, that which is partial will be done away.

v. 11 When I was a child, I was speaking as a child; I was thinking as a child, I was reasoning as a child; when I have become a man, I have put away the things of a child.

v. 12 For now we are seeing by means of a mirror dimly, but then face to face; now I am knowing in part, but then I shall fully know even as also I was fully known.

v. 13 But now there is remaining faith, hope, love, these three; but the greatest of these is love.

LESSONS FROM THE PASSAGE:

STUDY NUMBER FOUR – “Triumph in Suffering”

Notes



LESSONS FROM THE PASSAGE:

STUDY NUMBER FIVE – “Keys to Contentment”

Notes



LESSONS FROM THE PASSAGE:

STUDY NUMBER SIX – “The Fear of Failure” – 1 Corinthians 9:27-10:13Notes

v.27 But I am treating my body roughly and making it serve me lest when I have preached to others I myself should be disqualified.

10:v.1 For I am not desiring you to be ignorant brethren, that our fathers all of them, were under the cloud and all passed through the sea

v. 2 and all were baptized into Moses in the cloud and in the sea.

v. 3 And all ate the same spiritual food

v. 4 and all drank the same spiritual drink, for they were drinking from a spiritual rock that followed them and the rock was Christ.

v. 5 But God was not pleased with the greater part of them for they were struck down in the desert.

v. 6 Now these things have been made examples for us so that we should not desire after evil as they desired,

v. 7 neither be idolaters as some of them were. As it is written the people sat down to eat and drink and rose up to play.

v. 8 Neither let us be practicing sexual immorality even as certain of them practiced sexual immorality and there fell in one day, twenty-three thousand.

v. 9 Neither let us be putting the Lord to the test even as some of them tested Him and by means of the snakes were perishing.

v. 10 Neither let us be murmuring even as some of them murmured and were destroyed by the destroyer.

v. 11 Now these things were happening to them as examples and they were written for our admonition to whom the end of the ages is imminent.

v. 12 So that the one who thinks he stands, take heed lest he fall.

v.13 No temptation has taken you that is not common to man but God is faithful who will not permit you to be tested above that with which you are able to cope, but along with the temptation also make a way out in order that you may be able to bear up under it.

LESSONS FROM THE PASSAGE:

STUDY NUMBER SEVEN – “The Problem of Guilt” — Psalm 32:1-5Notes

v. 1 Oh happy man whose transgression is taken away whose sin is covered.

v. 2 Oh happy man to whom Jehovah does not reckon guilt (iniquity). And in whose spirit there is no deception.

v. 3 When I kept silence my bones wasted away through my groaning all the day long.

v. 4 For day and night your hand was heavy upon me. My moisture was turned into the drought of summer. Selah.

v. 5 I acknowledged my sin to you and I did not hide my guilt. I said I will confess my transgressions unto Jehovah and you have taken away the guilt of my sin.

LESSONS FROM THE PASSAGE:

STUDY NUMBER EIGHT – “The Problem of Forgiveness” — Matthew 18:21-35

Notes

v. 21 Then Peter having come, said to him, Lord, how often shall my brother sin against me and I shall forgive him? As many as seven times?

v. 22 Jesus is saying to him, I am not saying to you as many as seven times but as many as seventy times seven.

v. 23 Therefore the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a man, a king who desired to settle accounts with his servants.

v. 24 And when he began to compute the accounts one was brought to him who owed him twelve million dollars.

v. 25 And not having that by which to pay the debt, his master ordered him to be sold and his wife and his children all that he had and payment to be made.

v. 26 Then the servant fell on his knees and was touching the ground with his forehead before him saying, Be patient with me and I will pay back all to you.

v. 27 And being moved with compassion, the master of that servant released him and forgave him the debt.

v. 28 but that servant having gone out found one of his fellow servants who owed him twenty dollars and he seized him and tried to strangle him saying, settle up if you are owing anything.

v. 29 Then his fellow servant fell down begging him saying, be patient with me and I will pay you.

v. 30 However he was not willing, but having gone off, he threw him into prison until he should pay back that which he was owing.

v. 31 When his fellow servants saw the things which had taken place, they were greatly distressed and they went and made clear to their master all the things which took place.

v. 32 Then his master having called him is saying to him, you wicked servant, I forgave you all that debt because you begged me

v. 33 and ought not you to have shown mercy to your fellow servant just as I also was merciful to you?

v. 34 And having been aroused to anger, his master handed him over to the jailers until he should pay all that he owed him.

v. 35 So also my Father in heaven will do to you, if you do not forgive each one his brother from your hearts.

LESSONS FROM THE PASSAGE:

STUDY NUMBER NINE – “Motivated for Service” — 2 Corinthians 2:14-17Notes

v.14 But thanks be to God, who in Christ is always leading us in triumph and who is making known through us the fragrance of the knowledge of Himself in every place.

v.15 Because we are the fragrance of Christ for God among those who are being saved and among those who are perishing.

v.16 To the one a fragrance from death to death, to the other a fragrance from life to life. And who is qualified for these things?

v.17 For we are not as the many who are peddling the Word of God but as out of pure motives, but as from God, we are speaking in the sight of God in Christ.

LESSONS FROM THE PASSAGE:

STUDY NUMBER TEN – “Method for Service” — 2 Corinthians 2:14-17Notes

v.14 But thanks be to God, who in Christ is always leading us in triumph and who is making known through us the fragrance of the knowledge of Himself in every place.

v.15 Because we are the fragrance of Christ for God among those who are being saved and among those who are perishing.

v.16 To the one a fragrance from death to death, to the other a fragrance from life to life. And who is qualified for these things?

v.17 For we are not as the many who are peddling the Word of God but as out of pure motives, but as from God, we are speaking in the sight of God in Christ.

LESSONS FROM THE PASSAGE:

STUDY NUMBER ELEVEN – “Message for Service” — 2 Corinthians 2:14-17Notes

v.14 But thanks be to God, who in Christ is always leading us in triumph and who is making known through us the fragrance of the knowledge of Himself in every place.

v.15 Because we are the fragrance of Christ for God among those who are being saved and among those who are perishing.

v.16 To the one a fragrance from death to death, to the other a fragrance from life to life. And who is qualified for these things?

v.17 For we are not as the many who are peddling the Word of God but as out of pure motives, but as from God, we are speaking in the sight of God in Christ.

LESSONS FROM THE PASSAGE:

STUDY NUMBER TWELVE – “Gazing, Growing & Glowing” — 2 Corinthians 3:18Notes

v. 18 And we all with unveiled face, beholding as in a mirror, the glory of the Lord are being changed into the same likeness from one degree of glory to another as from the Spirit of the Lord.

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