

Wholeheartedly His: A LIFE THAT GLORIFIES GOD

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Week Two

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Week Two: A Vulnerable Heart

Session Guide

Genesis 3:1-13: Satan desires to stir _____ and _____ in our hearts through _____ that is delightfully packaged, desirable. Deception is designed to lead us to live lives that _____ rather than _____; earthly enticements can *subtly* become _____ that will hold our hearts hostage.

Satan's schemes are often stirred through the subtlety of a whisper: _____ - _____; leading us to buy the lie that we will be better off "*if . . .*"

Our _____ drives us.

Ezekiel 14:3: "These men have set up _____ in their hearts."

Romans 1:25: "They exchanged the _____ for _____ and worshiped and served _____ rather than the Creator.

Idols are those things we look to other than God to satisfy our God-given longings for:

_____, _____, _____, and _____.

Idols can include: _____, _____, _____, _____ & _____.

FREE WILL: Joshua 24:15: "_____ this day whom you will serve."

Our lives are shaped by the things we prioritize and pursue.

John 10:10: _____

Satan's end goal: _____

God's promise: _____

Battle Plan: Colossians 3:1-3 (NIV): _____

This requires being intentional! (Luke 6:46-49: Draw Near, Hear, Act on Truth)

"Praise the LORD, my soul; all my inmost being, praise his holy name. ² Praise the LORD, my soul, and forget not all his benefits— ³ who forgives all your sins and heals all your diseases, ⁴ who redeems your life from the pit and crowns you with love and compassion, ⁵ who satisfies your desires with good things so that your youth is renewed like the eagle's." **Psalm 103:1-5** (NIV)

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Growth Opportunity

“Above all else, guard your heart, for everything you do flows from it.” Proverbs 4:23 (NIV)

It is valuable to recognize “blind spots” and vulnerabilities so that we may “stand firm” in Truth.

Day 1: Reread **Genesis 3:1-13**: What stands out to you about Satan’s dialogue with Eve?

What do you think “drew Eve in?” _____

This may be delicate to consider, but can you recall something that “drew you in”; believing it would bring you a sense of significance, security, satisfaction, or love, but proved to be a lie?

What impact did this deceptive ploy have on you? _____

If this bumps against a wound that is still raw, prayerfully pause in **Psalm 147:3**: _____

This indicates both a process and a promise. Remember, God is trustworthy and faithful. Now

Romans 8:28: _____:

A praiseworthy promise as well! Stand firm, warrior; you may feel the heat of the battle, but victory is indeed found in the Lord! 1 Corinthians 15:57 states: “But thanks be to God! He gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.” Amen!!

Day 2: We looked at idols and how Satan desires for us to gratify ourselves rather than glorify God. His scheme often involves our God-given longings for Significance, Security, Satisfaction, and Love. Knowing this, we need to be intentional to shore up Truth in each of these areas.

SIGNIFICANCE

- **Ephesians 2:10**: _____
- **John 3:16**: _____

SECURITY

- **Matthew 28:20**: _____
- **Hebrews 13:5**: _____
- **Isaiah 44:22**: _____

SATISFACTION

- **Psalm 103:2-5:** _____
- **Ephesians 3: 16-21:** _____

LOVE:

- **Jeremiah 31:3:** _____
- **Isaiah 43:1:** _____
- **Romans 5:8:** _____
- Other verses you want to note: _____

Day 3: Time for reflection. Glance back over the verses from yesterday. Is there an area where you have found yourself more vulnerable to embracing a lie? Consider using your Bible concordance, or Bible Gateway online, to look up additional verses that can speak God's Truth into your heart. **John 8:32:** It is God's Truth that sets us free! ***Powerful. Personal. Praiseworthy!***

Day 4: Sit quietly with God before you read the following passage; don't rush to "get the assignment done" at the expense of missing moments in His presence. Remember, we are seeking to have our hearts honed by the Truth of God's Word as we draw near to Him. When you've quieted your heart, read **Ephesians 2:1-9**. What facts are found in this passage:

- Vs. 1: _____
- Vs. 2: _____
- Vs. 3: _____
- Vs. 4: _____
- Vs. 5: _____
- Vs. 6: _____
- Vs. 7: _____
- Vs. 8: _____
- Vs. 9: _____

DON'T LET THE TRUTH OF HIS REDEMPTIVE WORK BE OVERSHADOWED BY LIES; lies that whisper God doesn't love you, that you could never be forgiven, that you are unworthy, unseen, unlovable; lies that whisper you must "work harder" to earn His love, grace, and forgiveness. Lies seek to destroy the Truth of God's Word from taking root in our hearts.

- **Jeremiah 31:3:** _____
 - **James 4:7-8:** _____
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End your time praising God for the Truths of His Word that stood out to you in your time with Him. Fix your thoughts on Him (**2 Corinthians 10:5**), abide in Him (**John 15:5**). Trust Him (**Proverbs 3: 5-6**). He is trustworthy.

Day 5: If you will, pause in **John 10:10** today. Remember in our time together we sought to expose Satan’s strategy to have you look outside of a relationship with God for satisfaction, significance, security, and love. What is his ultimate desire? _____

Now review our “theme verse,” **Luke 6:46-49**. From our session together, as well as your growth opportunities, what are Biblical Truths that God wants to build upon, and what are ‘lies’ you need to renounce and replace with Truth? _____

End today by writing out Philippians 1:6: _____

What a *wonderful* promise from God to end our week on. Consider sharing your insights with a trusted friend who can stand with you and offer strength, prayer, and encouragement in claiming God’s Truth! **Truth + Trust Brings Transformation!** It is here that we grow, and in turn, our lives glorify God!

GREAT IS THY FAITHFULNESS

*Great is Thy faithfulness, O God my Father
There is no shadow of turning with Thee
Thou changest not, Thy compassions, they fail not
As Thou hast been Thou forever wilt be*

*Summer and winter, and springtime and harvest
Sun, moon and stars in their courses above
Join with all nature in manifold witness
To Thy great faithfulness, mercy and love*

*Pardon for sin and a peace that endureth
Thine own dear presence to cheer and to guide
Strength for today and bright hope for tomorrow
Blessings all mine, with ten thousand beside*

REFRAIN:

*Great is Thy faithfulness, great is Thy faithfulness
Morning by morning new mercies I see
All I have needed Thy hand hath provided
Great is Thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me*

Lyrics by: Thomas Obadiah Chisolm

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Satan's schemes are often stirred through the subtlety of a whisper: **If - Then**; leading us to buy the lie that we will be better off "**if . . .**"

Our **incompleteness** drives us.

Ezekiel 14:3: "These men have set up **idols** in their hearts."

Romans 1:25: "They exchanged the **truth about God** for **a lie** and worshiped and served **created things** rather than the Creator.

Idols are those things we look to other than God to satisfy our God-given longings for:

Significance, Security, Satisfaction, and Love.

Idols can include: **people, possessions, prestige, power, & pleasures.**

FREE WILL: Joshua 24:15: "**Choose for yourselves** this day whom you will serve."

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John 10:10: **The thief comes only to steal, kill and destroy. I have come that they may have life and have it to the full.**"

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God's promise: _____

Battle Plan: Colossians 3:1-3 (NIV): "**Since then, you have been raised with Christ, set your hearts on things above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. ² Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things. ³ For you died, and your life is now hidden with Christ in God.**"

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