Lesson 6

Online Bible Study “Covenant”

Lessons 1-7 “Creating”

Lesson 6: “Logic of the Cross”

Letters: 1 and 2 Corinthians

Consider what Christ accomplished. At some point in life, we each will experience the lack or loss of love. We can’t live without love.

Readings:

Day 1: 1 Corinthians 1-4 – Immature boasting

Day 2: 1 Corinthians 7-10 – My freedom is good, but it’s not always good for others.

Day 3: 1 Corinthians 11-14 – No person is better than another.

Day 4: 1 Corinthians 15; 2 Corinthians 1:1-11; 4-6 – Our faith is pointless without Christ’s resurrection.

Day 5: 1 Corinthians 16; 2 Corinthians 7-9 – Cheerful generosity.

Meditation: 2 Corinthians 4:7-12 – God will rescue us.

Questions:

1 Corinthians 13:4-8 “Love Never Fails”

1. Describe a time when someone told the truth but did it in a way that seemed harsh or arrogant.
2. What do you think is more important: to believe the right things or to do the right things?
3. Think of a time when you were jealous. What does that tell you about the relationship with the person who made you jealous? While you might recognize the feeling in a situation, how do you define jealousy?
4. In more than one translation, compare how Deuteronomy 5:9 is stated. What does God experience when we follow or become attached to substitutes for a relationship with God? In our covenant with God, what evidence do we have of God’s faithful love, and what evidence do we offer of our loyal love?
5. In several places in the Old Testament, a list of God’s attributes is recited, which demonstrates the biblical behaviors that characterize God’s covenant love. The first occurrence is at Exodus 34:6 when God passed by Moses on the mountain to offer the covenant and the Ten Commandments. Moses responds, “The Lord! The Lord! A God who is compassionate and merciful, very patient, full of great loyalty and faithfulness.” Look up other contexts for other passages that cite this covenant response: Numbers 14:18; Nehemiah 9:17; Psalms 86:15; 103:8; 145:8; Joel 2:13; Jonah 4:2; Nahum 1:3.