Bible Passage – Key Passages

**Sin**

**Guilt**

**Forgiveness**

* **Colossians 3:13** - Bear with each other and forgive whatever grievances you may have against one another. Forgive as the Lord forgave you.
* **Ephesians 4:31,32** - Get rid of all bitterness, rage and anger, brawling and slander, along with every form of malice. 32 Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.
* **Matthew 18:21-35** – Parable of the unmerciful servant - “This is how my heavenly Father will treat each of you unless you forgive your brother from your heart.”
* **Matthew 6:14,15** - For if you forgive men when they sin against you, your heavenly Father will also forgive you. 15 But if you do not forgive men their sins, your Father will not forgive your sins.

**Church Discipline – Treatment of Sin/Unrepentant Sinner**

* **1 Corinthians 5:12-13** - What business is it of mine to judge those outside the church? Are you not to judge those inside? God will judge those outside. “Expel the wicked man from among you.”
* **1 John 1:5-9** This is the message we have heard from him and declare to you: God is light; in him there is no darkness at all. 6 If we claim to have fellowship with him yet walk in the darkness, we lie and do not live by the truth. 7 But if we walk in the light, as he is in the light, we have fellowship with one another, and the blood of Jesus, his Son, purifies us from all sin. 8 If we claim to be without sin, we deceive ourselves and the truth is not in us. 9 If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness. 10 If we claim we have not sinned, we make him out to be a liar and his word has no place in our lives.
* **Warn as a brother – 2 Thessalonians 3:6,14-15** In the name of the Lord Jesus Christ, we command you, brothers, to keep away from every brother who is idle and does not live according to the teaching you received from us. If anyone does not obey our instruction in this letter, take special note of him. Do not associate with him, in order that he may feel ashamed. 15 Yet do not regard him as an enemy, but warn him as a brother.
* **Do the work, even if everyone doesn’t like it - 2 Timothy 4:2–5** Preach the Word; be prepared in season and out of season; correct, rebuke and encourage—with great patience and careful instruction. 3 For the time will come when men will not put up with sound doctrine. Instead, to suit their own desires, they will gather around them a great number of teachers to say what their itching ears want to hear. 4 They will turn their ears away from the truth and turn aside to myths. 5 But you, keep your head in all situations, endure hardship, do the work of an evangelist, discharge all the duties of your ministry.
* **The proud and unrepentant sinner - 1 Corinthians 5:2** And you are proud! Shouldn’t you rather have been filled with grief and have put out of your fellowship the man who did this?

**Judging**

* **Practical decision about immoral behavior 1 Corinthians 5:3 -** Even though I am not physically present, I am with you in spirit. And I have already passed judgment on the one who did this, just as if I were present….vs. 5 – deliver this man over to Satan so that he may be saved
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**Christian Life**

**Unity**

* **1 Corinthians 1:10 -** I appeal to you, brothers, in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you agree with one another so that there may be no divisions among you and that you may be perfectly united in mind and thought.

**Encourage/Comfort each other**

* **2 Corinthians 1:4** who comforts us in all our troubles, so that we can comfort those in any trouble with the comfort we ourselves have received from God.

**Sanctification**

* **1 Corinthians 3:16 -** Don’t you know that you yourselves are God’s temple and that God’s Spirit lives in you?
* **2 Corinthians 5:9 –** So we make it our goal to please him, whether we are at home in the body or away from it.

**Don’t be mastered by anything**

* “Everything is permissible for me”—but not everything is beneficial. “Everything is permissible for me”—but I will not be mastered by anything.

**Christian Freedom and Christian love**

* **1 Corinthians 8 & 9**

**Temptation**

* **1 Corinthians 10:12,13** 12 So, if you think you are standing firm, be careful that you don’t fall! 13 No temptation has seized you except what is common to man. And God is faithful; he will not let you be tempted beyond what you can bear. But when you are tempted, he will also provide a way out so that you can stand up under it.

**The Word**

**The Word is Powerful**

* **1 Corinthians 1:18 -** For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

**The Word Saves**

* **1 Corinthians 1:21 -** For since in the wisdom of God the world through its wisdom did not know him, God was pleased through the foolishness of what was preached to save those who believe.

**God’s Nature**

**Above Our Understanding**

* **1 Corinthians 2:11** - For who among men knows the thoughts of a man except the man’s spirit within him? In the same way no one knows the thoughts of God except the Spirit of God.

**Romans 11:33** – 33 Oh, the depth of the riches of the wisdom and knowledge of God!

How unsearchable his judgments,

and his paths beyond tracing out!

34 “Who has known the mind of the Lord?

Or who has been his counselor?”

**Sexual Immorality**

* **1 Corinthians 6 18-20** Flee from sexual immorality. All other sins a man commits are outside his body, but he who sins sexually sins against his own body. 19 Do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit, who is in you, whom you have received from God? You are not your own; 20 you were bought at a price. Therefore honor God with your body.
* **1 Corinthians 7**

**Marriage**

**Sex**

* **Two become one flesh -** Do you not know that he who unites himself with a prostitute is one with her in body? For it is said, “The two will become one flesh.
* **1 Corinthians 7**

**The Lord’s Supper**

* **1 Corinthians 10:16-17 -** Is not the cup of thanksgiving for which we give thanks a participation in the blood of Christ? And is not the bread that we break a participation in the body of Christ? 17 Because there is one loaf, we, who are many, are one body, for we all partake of the one loaf.

**Worship**

**Worship Practice**

* **1 Corinthians 14:40** But everything should be done in a fitting and orderly way.

**Roles of Men and Women**

* **1 Corinthians 14:34** - As in all the congregations of the saints, 34 women should remain silent in the churches. They are not allowed to speak, but must be in submission, as the Law says. 35 If they want to inquire about something, they should ask their own husbands at home; for it is disgraceful for a woman to speak in the church. *Based on the distinction between man and woman in God’s created order, Paul distinguished between male and female roles.*

**Forgiveness**

**Forgive others for the sinner’s sake**

* **2 Corinthians 2:5-11 -** 5 If anyone has caused grief, he has not so much grieved me as he has grieved all of you, to some extent—not to put it too severely. 6 The punishment inflicted on him by the majority is sufficient for him. 7 Now instead, you ought to forgive and comfort him, so that he will not be overwhelmed by excessive sorrow. 8 I urge you, therefore, to reaffirm your love for him. 9 The reason I wrote you was to see if you would stand the test and be obedient in everything. 10 If you forgive anyone, I also forgive him. And what I have forgiven—if there was anything to forgive—I have forgiven in the sight of Christ for your sake, 11 in order that Satan might not outwit us. For we are not unaware of his schemes.

**Jesus Christ**

* **2 Corinthians 5:21** - God made him who had no sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.
* **Acts 2** – Jesus being raised from the dead – he is the real deal