

building the disciplines of faithful leaders

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Build homework

DUE: January 13, 2024

Before you begin your homework, take some time to pray and direct your heart and mind towards God and His Word. Ask God for help in submitting your life and thoughts to His word that you might draw near to Him in this time. Ask Him to increase your desire to know and love and obey Him.

LOOKING BACK...

Review the lesson and praise God and (if you are a believer) take comfort in His Work of regeneration in your heart. Write out a prayer to God, rehearsing what God has done for your heart and what implications this should have on how you care for your heart. Thank Him and ask for help as you seek to guard your wellspring. Remember guarding your heart (purity of heart) isn't just about what you keep out, but even more about seeking God with all your heart.

LOOKING DAY BY DAY...

Water Purity Check: Answer the following "Water Purity" questions. For each one (a-f) think about and respond to the following questions.

	 → What do your answers reflect about how well you have been guarding your wellspring? → What practices do you need to maintain? → What might need to change?
a.	Do you usually sense a presence or absence of affection for God?
b.	Do you have an appetite for God's Word?
C.	Are you daily shepherding your heart to God in His Word?
d.	Do your daily routines (including entertainment choices, internet use, free time, priorities) reflect that you are guarding your heart above all else?
e.	How do your prayers reflect the vigilance with which you guard your heart?
f.	What lures your heart away from God? How diligently do you flee this?

Now come up with three more questions that you think will be particularly helpful to help you
keep a watch on your heart. One or two of these questions ought to be "humiliating" or
particularly helpful at exposing weakness, compromise, or vulnerability and helping you confess
your sins and pursue heart-shepherding repentance Alternatively, at least one of these should
be particularly telling for when things are going well with heart guarding.

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LOOKING AHEAD

In preparation for Saturday, January 13 (D3: Forgiveness, Reconciliation, & Conflict Resolution), answer the following question. Using Ephesians 4:31-32 to inform your answer, what is the foundation for biblical reconciliation?