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September 20 & 23, 2023

Lesson 2

## (D1: THE HEART) GOSPEL IMPLICATIONS FOR MY HEART

DUE:

Wednesday, October 4 / Saturday, October 7

Prayerfully read through Ephesians 1:1-14. Thank God for your salvation and for His transforming work in your life as you grow in your walk with Christ.

### **LOOKING BACK...**

Review the blue "God's Transformation of Man" pamphlet from lesson 2. Describe something that was new, encouraging, challenging or helpful.

Based on the lesson, why do you need to shepherd your heart?

**LOOKING DAY BY DAY...**

The following explains the heart behind making a Bible reading plan a central part of Wellspring:

*"The primary goal in encouraging participants of Build and Wellspring to be faithful to a Bible reading plan is to discover the God of the Word from one page to the next all the way from the beginning to the end of the Bible. God didn't reveal Himself only in our five favorite books of the Bible, but on every single page. To ignore or neglect His self-revelation on all the other pages impoverishes our souls that are nourished by the rich truths concerning Him on those pages. If you need to start slowly and be on a three-year plan to get through the whole Bible, we'd love to walk with you on that amazing journey! And if you are ready to accept the challenge to read through the Bible in a year, we're here to stand beside you all the way and encourage you. Regardless of how much you prayerfully choose to read this coming year, the goal is to meet with the God of the Word and marvel at His character. When our Bibles are open, worship needs to be alive and well!"*

How is this helpful to you as you begin or continue with a Bible reading plan?

If you don't currently have a reading plan, which Bible plan will you choose and why? Choose one thing from your reading to share with your discussion group, if time permits. Some examples of what to share could be something new to you, something that encouraged or convicted you, a promise to remember or a sin to forsake.

**LOOKING AHEAD...**

Read Deuteronomy 6:1-9. In this passage God was instructing the Israelites about the relationship between their own personal love for God through nearness to His Word and the influence they were to have on their households.

1) What kind of influence could they have on their homes if they were careful to cultivate a strong love for God and to keep His Word upon their hearts and minds (using it to direct their thoughts, attitudes, words, actions, and responses)?

2) By implication, what harm would come to their homes if they did not carefully fuel their love for God and keep His Word upon their hearts and minds (not using God's Word to direct their thoughts, words, actions, etc.)?

3) In light of these verses, what is at least one way you want to grow in how you impact those in your family and/or household through your love for God and His Word?

4) Pray and ask the Lord's help to enable you to grow in these areas.

**Wellspring Kids Memory Verse:**

*"I shall remember the deeds of the Lord; Surely I will remember Your wonders of old. I will meditate on all Your works and muse on all Your deeds. Your Way, O God, is holy; What god is great like our God? You are the God who works wonders; You have made known Your strength among the peoples."  
Psalm 77:11-14*