LESSON 8

THE WAY TO THE HEAVENLY KINGDOM

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The Way to the Heavenly Kingdom

Teaching	Meaning
Verse 14: For wide is the gate and broad is the way that leads to destruction, and there are many who go in by it.	The wide gate and the broad way represent the This path is but leads to
Verse 14: Enter by the narrow gate	The way that leads to is This path is for the people who follow Christ's and God's
Verses 7:15-20: What is bearing "good fruit"?	A good fruit refers to good or behavior. The Bible lists the fruit of the Spirit as ", joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness,, gentleness, self-control."
Verses 15-20: What is a "good tree"?	A person who always examines themselves to make sure that they have good, and that they listen to and the word of God daily.
Verses 24-27: Who is the rock and who is the house?	
Verses 24-27: What do the people who build their house on the rock do?	People who build on the rock the word of God and put it into
Verses 24-27: What do the rain, the flood, and the winds refer to?	These refer to any form of a trial or that may come to any one of us. This includes persecution, the many of this world, being deceived by money and riches, etc.
Conclusion	The way to the heavenly kingdom is about obeying God's and living out God's

Bearing Good Fruit

Instructions: Read the short testimony and answer the questions below.

There was a very hardworking couple in our church. They owned a restaurant and did their best every day to run their business. They opened every day except Saturday, the Sabbath day. For any restaurant owner, this would be a foolish thing to do, as the weekends are the busiest days of the week, because more people have time to go out. Thus, Saturday would be one of the days when they would make the most money. But they knew that they had to keep the Sabbath holy and not do any work that day. They did not worry that they would lose money. Every Saturday, they attended service all day at church while the other restaurants around their area stayed open.



Each Sunday, they would open their restaurant again. And something miraculous always happened: they noticed that on Sundays they made double the amount of money. When they reopened on Sundays, they would gain the extra amount that they lost from closing on Saturdays. How wonderful!

God was showing them that if they make the right choices in their lives, obey God's command and live out God's word, there is nothing to worry about.

"But seek first the kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added to you." (Matthew 6:33)

Questions

- 1. What did the couple do on Saturday? What happened the next day on Sunday, when the couple reopened the restaurant?
- 2. Which path is this couple traveling on, the narrow or the wide? What is the evidence?
- 3. This couple bore good fruit because they had good motives and ______ to and _____ the word of God daily.
- 4. How is this couple like people who build their house on the rocks?
- 5. Think of a time when you had to choose between the narrow path and the wide path. Explain which path you chose and why you chose that particular path.

Slow to Anger

Instructions: Read the story below and answer the questions that follow.

Terry loved his little brother, but found him to be very annoying at times. One day while Terry was away at school, his little brother got into his room, took everything out of the closet and piled it all on the bed.

When Terry got home and found the mess, he flew into an angry rage. He stormed around the house looking for him, but when he could not find his brother, he became even angrier. Finally, he found his brother playing in the neighbor's yard. He yelled at him, "Did you come in my room and mess everything up?"

His little brother, shaking with fear, said, "Yes, I was in your room, but I..."

"Why were you in my room?" Terry snapped back. "Why are you touching my stuff? You took everything out and didn't put anything back!"

Terry's brother continued, "I didn't mess up your room. I was cleaning the closet for you. Some food fell inside your closet and it started to smell."

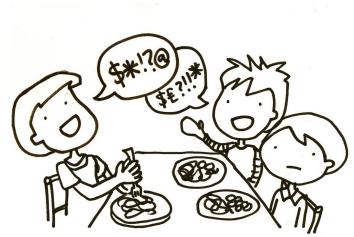


Questions

- 1. How do you think Terry felt after his little brother explained why he was in his room?
- 2. Feeling anger is not wrong, but how might Terry have reacted to the mess in his bedroom if he had correctly understood the situation?
- 3. Did you ever become angry quickly, only to find out later that you misunderstood the situation?

Doing the Right Thing

Instructions: Read the scenario below and answer the questions that follow.



During lunch time at school, Greg and his two friends, Jin and Kirs, are eating together when Jin says, "Jesus Christ! I swear to God, I hate school lunches." "Yeah, it tastes like crap," Kris agrees.

Greg thinks the food tastes terrible, too, but he is struggling with what he should say. He remembers learning in RE class that swearing and cursing and using the Lord's name in vain is wrong. So, he mutters, "Yeah, school lunches are for pigs."

Greg also notices that his classmates mutter curse words under their breath all the time during class. They are not allowed to say those words in front of the teachers, but Greg still hears them say it to one another. During gym class, Greg's friends also swear

and curse when the gym teacher makes them do a rope climbing exercise, which is very difficult and not fun at all.

Hearing his friends say these bad words all the time, there are some times where Greg is tempted to follow his friends in saying these things. But he always tries hard to resist. He knows that swearing is against the teaching of God. Eventually, Greg's friends notice that he doesn't curse at all, so they try not to do it so much in front of him.

Questions

- 1. How did Greg do the right thing?
- 2. What is the commandment from Exodus 20:7 about?
- 3. Do your friends also use bad words or swear? Are you ever tempted to say the same things they do?

Colossians 4:6 "Let your speech always be with grace, seasoned with salt, that you may know how you ought to answer each one."

Exodus 20:7 "You shall not take the name of the Lord your god in vain, for the Lord will not hold him guiltless who takes His name in vain."

The Three Steps to Victory in Christ

Instructions: Read Colossians 3:1-10, 12-14. Fill in the blanks in the tables below.

Step 1: Take Off Our Old Self

List the things that you would like to get rid of, such as anger, lies, and things of the world. Try to be as specific as possible.

Old Self					
1.	4.				
2.	5.				
3.	6.				

Step 2: Put On Christ Step 3: Renew Our Minds

In the first column below, briefly describe how you will take off the old things listed in Step 1 above. In the second column, list some things you will do to renew yourself daily, such as read the Bible, spend time practicing God's word at home (by doing chores or helping your parents), set aside time in prayer, or ask for the fullness of the Holy Spirit to grant us the strength to put off our old self and renew our minds.

How I Will Remove the Old Self	Ways I Will Renew My Mind
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3.	
4.	
5.	

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Homework Assignment

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Bible Reading: Please put a checkmark in the spa when you complete the reading each day. Prayer: Please put a checkmark in the space on t days you prayed to God.						lay.		1	What I Learned from the Bible This Week		
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5. W	hat do	the na	arrow p	oath ar	nd narr	ow ga	te refer	to? Is	this the easy path or the difficult path?		
6. Ho	ow can	we be	ecome	a "goo	od tree	"?					
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