

COINS, COVENANT & CHARACTER – Student Notes

Introduction

1. The ten coin bridal headpiece was worn in the same way we may wear an engagement _____ or wedding band today.
2. These coins were valued because they represented her covenant and her _____ to that covenant.
3. Colossians 3 details the character of Christ that we are to make a part of our _____ as we enter into covenant with Him.
4. There are _____ character traits that we must have as a believer.

Chapter 1: Consider The Woman

1. POWER TRUTH: Consider your _____ with Christ. Purpose in your heart to find what you may have lost or neglected in your commitment to Christ.
2. Think of a Scripture that came _____ in your heart during a time of crisis?
3. Restoration of what has been lost—that is what this study is about. Like the woman in the passage, we will find our lost _____ and gain back all it represents.
4. We are asking God to search our hearts and see if there is anything about our character that He desires to _____.
5. “Search me [thoroughly], O God, and know my heart! Try me and know my thoughts! And see if there is any wicked or hurtful way in me, and _____ me in the way everlasting” (Psalm 139:23-24 AB).
6. Our God is rich in _____ and His love toward us is great.
7. There is a very real and ongoing _____ between our flesh nature and our spirit.
8. Satan wants to take away our Christian character and _____ us of our new nature that we were given when we were redeemed.
9. As we continue our journey as a follower of Christ, we begin to understand spiritual _____.
10. The Enemy desires to put us off the path of righteousness and bind us in discouragement, _____ our freedom and joy.
11. What have you _____ that you hope to regain?

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Chapter 2: Counting My Coins

1. POWER TRUTH: Read Colossians 3. We are to walk in our _____ nature as a follower of Jesus.
2. Colossians 3:12-15 deals in detail about the character of Christ that _____ are to make a part of our lives as we walk in covenant with Him.
3. No, we do not work our way to Heaven or earn our salvation by good deeds, but we are called to walk in _____ to His Word.
4. The redeemed will rejoice with a heart of love and gratitude knowing His _____ and great amazing grace gave access to eternal life.
5. We are instructed to “put off the old” (Col 3:9) and “put on the _____.”
6. There are _____ character traits that we must have as a believer. (p 38-39)
 - Compassion (tender mercy) • Kindness • Humility • Meekness
 - Longsuffering • Forbearance (bearing with one another
 - Forgiveness (forgiving one another) • Love • Peace
 - Gratitude (be thankful
7. Which of these traits are you more apt to “lose” in times of _____?
8. Ephesians 4:20-32 instructs us to “_____” the old nature and our former conduct or behavior.
9. We are instructed to put on our _____ nature according to God in true righteousness and holiness.
10. Let the word of Christ _____ in you richly in all wisdom, teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, ...” (Colossians 3:16a)
11. We are to meditate on the Word, _____ it in our own lives and teach and encourage others to do the same.
12. Our old nature tends to _____ itself when it surfaces.
13. When the devil pushes your flesh button and you respond with your new nature instead of reacting in the flesh, you have won a real _____!
14. “Thy word is a _____ unto my feet, and a light unto my path” (Ps 119:105 KJV).
15. “I seek you with all my _____; do not let me stray from your commands. I have hidden your word in my heart that I might not sin against you” (Psalm 119:10-11).

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Chapter 3: Light The Lamp

1. POWER TRUTH: The Word of God will give clarity, correction, change, comfort and contentment. It will _____ us into all truth.
2. Let's light a lamp—the Lamp—and purpose to _____ what we have lost.
3. We don't desire any of the characteristics connected with our _____ nature to be part of who we are.
4. God made it possible to live a life _____ from the bondage of our sinful nature!
5. The Candle of _____. Clarity will bring us understanding and give us the ability to make the right decision.
6. The Candle of _____. The truth of the Word of God will give us the correction we need to get back on the right path in our covenant walk with God.
7. "I have hidden your word in my _____ that I might not sin against you."
8. The Candle of _____. Accepting correction from the Word will give us a changed heart and will reroute our direction when we have made a "wrong turn" in our daily walk with Christ.
9. I must _____ the correction to experience the transformation of change.
10. The Candle of _____. We are not alone in our battles! We do not have to walk in our own strength. The Holy Spirit will comfort us and guide us.
11. The Holy Spirit will bring _____.
12. The Candle of _____. When you walk assured of your relationship and in covenant with God, contentment becomes more and more a very real part of your life.
13. Paul says to us that his _____ came from his relationship and covenant with Christ.
14. We don't have to _____ to our fleshly tendencies and pick up the old nature when we are in a hard place.
15. Jesus has promised that He will never leave you nor _____ you."
16. Proverbs 3:5-6 speaks of God directing our path if we will acknowledge and trust Him. The word _____ means to make straight and right. God will straighten our path and put us back on course when we receive His guidance and correction.

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Chapter 4: Sweep The House

1. POWER TRUTH: _____ brings redemption, reconciliation, restoration and refreshing. Allow the Spirit of God to “sweep the house” ...
2. Ask God to _____ from you those things that are displeasing to Him and restore your Christ-like nature as you draw near to Him with repentance in your heart.
3. “Sweeping the house” can represent getting the _____ out of the way.
4. The Holy Spirit _____ us that we must display the character of Christ all the time, every time, especially in times of conflict.
5. The devil will cause you to _____ and then overwhelm you with guilt for doing so.
6. The Lord can _____ what has been taken as we purpose to walk in covenant with Him, allowing our new nature to be restored.
7. The devil cannot mimic compassion, _____, humility, meekness, longsuffering, forbearance, forgiveness, love, peace and gratitude.
8. It is not the intention of this study to bring condemnation. The enemy produces condemnation causing you to _____ at your failures and weaknesses and feel that it is impossible to change.
9. Condemnation points at you. Conviction points you to Him! Conviction is from the Holy Spirit and _____ you to the foot of the cross.
10. Repentance is characterized by a feeling of deep _____ for our failures.
11. “My little children, these things I write to you, so that you may not sin. And if anyone sins, we have an _____ with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. And He Himself is the propitiation for our sins, and not for ours only but also for the whole world” (1 John 2:1-2).
12. An advocate is a person who pleads or speaks on behalf and for the benefit of the one they represent. _____ is our Advocate and our Mediator, interceding and speaking on our behalf!
13. “For there [is only] one God and [only] one _____ between God and men, the Man Christ Jesus” (1 Timothy 2:5 AB).
14. “If we _____ our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness” (1 John 1:9 NIV).

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Chapter 5: The Recovery Room

1. POWER TRUTH: Recover holds a two-fold meaning. It means we “obtain again something that has been _____.” It also means “to return something to a normal condition after it has suffered damage or injury.”
2. The Recovery Room is a place of transition—a temporary place where the _____ process begins.
3. The Recovery Room is where we have the opportunity for some very _____ time with our Great Physician. He never leaves us unattended.
4. I don’t just want a physician with *credentials*. I want one who is _____. I want to feel a *connection* with him on a personal level.
5. Jesus is more than _____ to whatever we face.
6. Jesus paid the ultimate _____ for our spiritual, physical and emotional healing.
7. Isaiah 53:4-5 tells us Jesus bore our grief and carried our sorrows. He was _____ for our transgressions and bruised for our sin.
8. “For we have not a high priest which cannot be touched with the feeling of our infirmities; but was _____ tempted like as we are, yet without sin” (Hebrews 4:15).
9. In our spiritual life, the time _____ between the promise and the fulfillment of it can seem like forever.
10. Don’t _____ the process. Allow Jesus to mend your brokenness. He is there to lead us through.
11. We can find comfort in knowing that this pain is _____. Yes, this too shall pass.
12. We’re following our Guide, our Shepherd, our Great Physician, through the valley. Since we are following Him, this _____ must be where He wants us to be for this period of time.
13. There is no guarantee about how big our valley is, or how _____ we will be passing through it. There is the promise, though, that we are just passing through and there will be a table prepared for us.
14. He is the one who has promised to never leave us or forsake us. He is the one who _____ all of our needs according to His riches and the one for whom nothing is impossible!

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Chapter 6: Finders Keepers

1. POWER TRUTH: Purpose to allow His love, His peace, and a _____ heart of gratitude to flourish in you and you will continually walk in your redeemed nature and in covenant with Christ.
2. We are going to discuss how we will _____ what has been recovered.
3. Three important points to help us retain our coins of covenant. First, _____ *solidifies* (unites and bonds) all the other ingredients of our new nature.
4. Second, _____ *soothes* the believer making our new nature readily displayed in times of contentment and conflict.
5. Thirdly, _____ *seals* all the characteristics of our covenant tightly together because we focus on what is right in our lives rather than what is wrong.
6. When we genuinely love others, it is so much _____ to have our compassion, kindness, humility, meekness, longsuffering, forbearance, forgiveness, peace and gratitude intact.
7. When we allow the peace of God to umpire our hearts, our thought process changes because we will not _____ ungodly, discouraging thoughts to stay in our mind.
8. True peace only comes from _____ in covenant with our Savior.
9. “Be anxious for nothing, but in everything by prayer and supplication, with _____, let your requests be made known to God.”
10. Thanksgiving at the time of your petition indicates that you believe in _____ that your prayers will be answered. As a result, your peace increases.
11. It is impossible to walk in gratitude while _____ on problems.

Conclusion

1. “Therefore, if anyone is in Christ, he is a new creation; old things have passed away; behold, all things have become _____” (2 Corinthians 5:17).
2. As ambassadors of Christ, it is imperative that we _____ the redeemed nature as a testimony to the world around us.
3. You can leave a legacy for your family and a _____ of your spiritual DNA—your new nature, your redeemed character—in the life of everyone you meet, especially those you love the most.