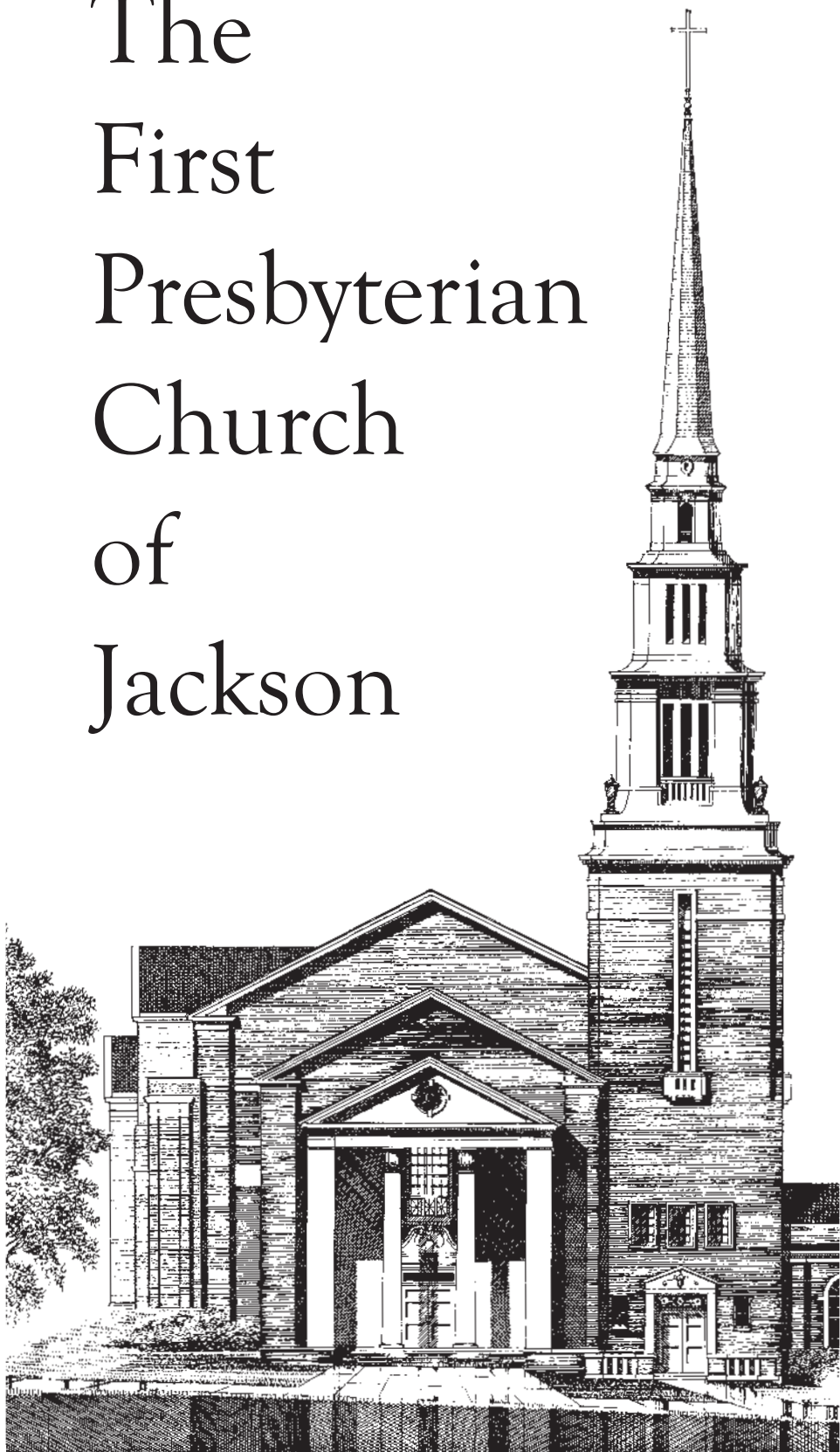


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*“To Glorify God, And Enjoy Him Forever”*

# THE LORD'S DAY

The Tenth Day of September, Two Thousand Seventeen  
MORNING WORSHIP

Eight-Thirty and Eleven O'Clock

The Reverend Dr. David T. A. Strain — Senior Minister  
The Reverend Dr. Gabriel N.E. Fluhrer — Minister of Discipleship

**The Greetings and Announcements** (8:25 and 10:55 a.m.)

**The Prelude** — “Largo” ..... Woldemar Bargiel  
William Wymond, Organ

**The Introit** — “Sing Unto the Lord with a Cheerful Voice” ..... W. Wymond  
Jeff Brown, Guest Director

**The Call to Worship**

\***The Hymn of Praise No. 167** — “When Morning Gilds the Skies”

‡ **The Prayer of Adoration and Confession**

‡ **The Assurance of Pardon**

\***The Doxology**

“Praise God from whom all blessings flow.  
Praise Him all creatures here below.  
Praise Him above ye heavenly host.  
Praise Father, Son and Holy Ghost. Amen.”

**The Scripture Reading** — Psalm 10 (Pew Bible pages 451-452)

**The Pastoral Prayer**

\***The Hymn No. 628** — “Come, My Soul, Thy Suit Prepare”

**The Presentation of God's Tithes and Our Offerings**

**The Offertory** — “To the Lamb on the Throne” ..... Dan Forrest  
“Worthy the Lamb.

Ye servant of God, your Master proclaim, and publish abroad His wonderful name;  
the name all victorious of Jesus extol; His kingdom is glorious and rules over all.  
Worthy the Lamb.

‘Salvation to God, who sits on the throne!’ let all cry aloud, and honor the Son;  
The praises of Jesus the angels proclaim; fall down on their faces and worship the Lamb.  
Worthy the Lamb.

God rules in the height, almighty to save; though hid from our sight, His presence we have.  
The great congregation His triumph shall sing, ascribing salvation to Jesus our King.  
Worthy the Lamb.

Then let us adore and give Him His right, all glory and power all wisdom and might;  
All honor and blessing with angels above, and thanks never ceasing and infinite love.  
Worthy the Lamb.”

**The Prayer of Illumination**

**The Reading of Holy Scripture** — 1 Corinthians 9:15-18 (Pew Bible page 957)

**The Sermon** — *Rewire: “Necessity Is Laid upon Me”* ..... Dr. Strain

‡ **The Hymn of Response No. 562** — “All to Jesus I Surrender”

‡ **The Benediction**

‡ **The Response**

“Spirit of God, descend upon my heart:  
Wean it from earth, through all its pulses move;  
Stoop to my weakness, might as Thou art,  
and make me love thee as I ought to love.”

**The Postlude** — “Agincourt Hymn” ..... John Dunstable

\*The ushers may seat latecomers

‡Congregation standing

# EVENING WORSHIP

Six O'Clock

The Reverend Dr. Gabriel N. E. Fluhrer — Minister of Discipleship

The Reverend Mr. Wiley P. Lowry III — Minister of Pastoral Care

The Announcements and Words of Preparation (5:55 p.m.)

The Prelude — “Jesus! What a Friend for Sinners!” .....Prichard  
John Sinclair, Cello; William Wymond, Piano

The Call to Worship

‡\* The Hymn — “Before the Throne of God Above” [See Hymn Sheet]

‡ The Invocation

‡\* The Evening Hymn — “Out of My Bondage, Sorrow, and Night” [See Hymn Sheet]

The Recognition of Recitation of the Children’s Catechism

The Greetings

The Evening Prayer — Ruling Elder Bill Moore

The Presentation of God’s Tithes and Our Offerings

The Offertory — “All Praise to Thee, My God, This Night” .....Arr. Wymond  
The Student Choir

The Young Children’s Devotional

For children currently in 4-year-old through 3rd grade Sunday School

*The Children’s Catechism*

Q68: How many offices does Christ fulfill as the promised Messiah? A: Christ fulfills three offices.

Q69: What are they? A: The offices of a prophet, of a priest, and of a king.

Q72: How is Christ your king? A: Christ rules over me, the world and Satan, and He defends me.

Q75: Why do you need Christ as your king? A: Because I am weak and helpless.

\*\* The Meditation and Prayer.....James Ritchey, Students & Families Assistant

‡\* The Evening Hymn No. 703 (Stzs. 1-3) — “Loved with Everlasting Love”

The Prayer of Illumination

The Reading of Holy Scripture — Romans 6:5-7 (Pew Bible pages 942-943)

The Sermon — *Union with Christ: “The Time Is Now”* ..... Dr. Fluhrer

‡ The Benediction

‡ The Response

“His forever, only His - who the Lord and me shall part?

Ah, what a rest of bliss Christ can fill the loving heart,

Heaven and earth may fade and flee, firstborn light in gloom decline,

But while God and I shall be, I am his, and He is mine.”

The Postlude

\* The ushers may seat latecomers

‡ Congregation standing

\*\* Children dismissed

To All Our  
Visitors

We are delighted that you are here with us today. Our hope is that your understanding and love of Jesus Christ will grow because of your visit. To answer any questions you might have, please come by our Greeting Courtyard through the doors on the south side (right side as you face the pulpit) of the sanctuary after the 8:30 a.m. or the 11:00 a.m. worship service. We would love to meet you.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

*II THESSALONIANS 3:1 – “Finally, brethren, pray for us....”*

**Rick & Terri Herr** – Serving with Wycliffe Bible Translators as international field systems customer relations and instructor in the Internationals Communications Course. Email: rick-terri\_herr@sil.org

**Joel & Holly Wallace** – Serving as the Associate Director for Mission to North America’s Special Needs Ministry. Email: jwallace@pcanet.org

## PCA DISASTER RELIEF FOR TEXAS

Mission to North America Disaster Response is in contact with local leadership at numerous PCA congregations in the impacted area. The Diaconate of FPC Jackson remains in contact with MNA to determine how we can best help now and on an ongoing basis. The most immediate need is for funds to provide supplies. Please consider giving directly to MNA to fund these efforts by sending a check made payable to First Presbyterian Church with “Flood Relief” in the memo line, or through the new FPC Jackson app using the “Relief for Texas” link.

## DOWNLOAD THE NEW APP

If you have not already done so, be sure to download the new FPC app by texting “fpcjacksonapp” to 779-77. With the new app you can connect with the ministries of our church, watch sermons, register for events, give, and access the church-wide calendar.

## FALL FOUNDATIONS CLASS

The fall Foundations Class begins today at 9:40 a.m. in room M133 (across from the bookstore) and runs through October 22. This class is for members and visitors who want to know more about our church and its ministries, our denomination, Presbyterian doctrine and beliefs, church history, and church government. To sign up, please email Lisa Walters at lisaw@fpcjackson.org.

## COLLEGE MINISTRY SUNDAY LUNCH

College students, join us for a free lunch today following the 11:00 a.m. service at the Vollema home (1122 Lyncrest Ave. in Belhaven). Come and bring your friends!

## YOUNG ADULTS “BREAKFAST FOR DINNER” GATHERING

All Young Adults are invited to a gathering tonight at the Felker home (2004 Laurel St. in Belhaven) at 7:30 p.m.

## “TRUTH AT DAWN” MEN’S BIBLE STUDY — SEPTEMBER 12

Men, Gabe Fluhrer will continue a weekly morning Bible study through the book of Numbers entitled, “Experiencing the Presence of God in Daily Life.” We hope you will take advantage of this opportunity for learning and fellowship. The study will resume on Tuesday mornings from 6:30 a.m. - 7:45 a.m. in Patterson Hall beginning this Tuesday, September 12. A breakfast will be served each week for \$6.00. To sign up for this study, please contact Lisa Kim at discipleship@fpcjackson.org or call 601-326-9243.

## CHILDREN’S SUNDAY SCHOOL TRAINING FOR VOLUNTEERS

All Children’s Sunday School volunteers are requested to attend a training session on Wednesday, September 13, at 5:30 p.m. in Room WH202. Please make plans to attend this meeting where we will hear a devotional by Gabe Fluhrer and review policies and procedures in anticipation of the upcoming Sunday School term.

## CONNECT WITH FPC ONLINE

website: [www.fpcjackson.org](http://www.fpcjackson.org)

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## 2017-18 CHILDREN'S SUNDAY SCHOOL MEMORY WORK

The FPC Children's Ministry and parents work in tandem to encourage our children to memorize scripture and catechism. Recommendations are listed below for each age for the coming Sunday School year.

<u>CLASS</u>	<u>CATECHISM</u>	<u>SPECIAL WORK</u> <u>BY QUARTER</u>
3's	Children's Catechism #1 - #14	
4's	#15 - #27	John 3:16
5's	#28 - #43	The Lord's Prayer
1st Grade	#44 - #51 (first quarter) #52 - #60 (second quarter) #61 - #69 (third quarter) #70 - #77 (fourth quarter)	The 23rd Psalm
2nd Grade	#78 - #86 (first quarter) #87 - #95 (second quarter) #96 - #104 (third quarter) #105 - #111 (fourth quarter)	Psalm 100 The Doxology
3rd Grade	#112 - #150	The Books of the Bible, 12 Disciples
4th Grade	Shorter Catechism #1 - #40	The Apostles' Creed
5th Grade	#41 - #81	The Beatitudes
6th Grade	#82 - #107	The Romans Road Plan of Salvation – Romans 3:23; 6:23; 5:8; 10:9, 10:13

Special note: Those who recite the Children's Catechism or Westminster Shorter Catechism in one sitting receive a Bible and are recognized at a worship service. Those who recite the Shorter Catechism also have their name added to the Catechism Recitation plaque at FPC.

### SEPTEMBER CIRCLES

#### MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

CIRCLE 2: *Beth Keeler*

10:00 a.m. – home of Fair Hurst  
2210 Culleywood Road, Jackson

CIRCLE 3: *Tot Bailey & Ginger Cotten*

10:00 a.m. – home of Mrs. Tot Bailey  
2420 Sandridge Drive, Jackson

CIRCLE 4: *Bess Corbitt & Rebecca Redman*

10:00 a.m. – Church Parlor

CIRCLE 6: *Rhonda Baird*

6:30 p.m. – home of Beth Archer  
2257 East Northside Drive, Jackson

CIRCLE 7: *Marcia Penn*

5:15 p.m. – Study Center 210

CIRCLE 8: *Janie Purvis*

9:30 a.m. – The Orchard

CIRCLE 14: *Susan Turner & Georgia Miller*

12:00 noon – Patterson Hall

#### TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

CIRCLE 9: *Karen Crawford & Grace Toler*

10:00 a.m. – Church Parlor

CIRCLE 10: *Diana Howie*

10:00 a.m. – home of Diana Howie  
1551 Douglass Drive, Jackson

CIRCLE 11: *Frenchie Graham & Ruth Tant*

10:30 a.m. – home of Frenchie Graham  
4005 Cabell Lane, Jackson

CIRCLE 12: *Nina Johnston & Janet Quayle*

10:30 a.m. – St. Catherine's, Marian Hall,  
1st floor Sun Room

CIRCLE 13: *Elizabeth Fulcher*

6:00 p.m. – home of Elizabeth Fulcher  
559 Brookstone Circle, Madison

# FPC THIS WEEK

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2017**

## Sunday

Prayer for Worship Service — 9:00 a.m. and 10:50 a.m. in M133  
 The Learning Resource Center — 9:30 a.m. – 10:40 a.m. (Library only)  
 Foundations Class — 9:40 a.m. in M133 (across from bookstore)  
 Children's Church for 3- and 4-year olds — during 11:00 a.m. worship service in M135MB  
 College Ministry Sunday Lunch — 12:00 noon at the Vollema home (112 Lyncrest Ave.)  
 Student Choir Rehearsal — 4:40 p.m. in MS  
 The Learning Resource Center — 5:30 p.m. – 5:55 p.m. (Library only)  
 Young Adults "Breakfast for Dinner" — 7:30 p.m. the Felker home (2004 Laurel St.)  
 Senior High Insight — 7:30 p.m. the Gregg home (2465 Sandridge Dr.)

## Monday

Circles Meet This Week  
 Worship Committee Meeting — 12:00 noon in WH205A  
 Diaconate Meeting — 5:30 p.m. in PH  
 Session Meeting — 7:00 p.m. in MS

## Tuesday

"Truth at Dawn" Men's Bible Study — 6:30 a.m. in PH  
 Sew & Sow — 9:00 a.m. in SC211  
 The Learning Resource Center — 10:00 a.m. – 6:25 p.m.  
 Twin Lakes Executive Committee Meeting — 12:00 noon in WH204A  
 Presbytery Credentials Committee Meeting — 4:00 p.m. in WH202A  
 Internationals Meeting — 6:45 p.m. in PH

## Wednesday

MOMS Bible Study (Joshua) — 9:00 a.m. in PH & SC  
 The Learning Resource Center — 10:00 a.m. – 6:25 p.m.  
 Discipleship Committee Meeting — 11:30 a.m. in SC211A  
 Stewardship Committee Meeting — 12:00 noon in WH204A  
 Parents' Prayer Lunch — 12:00 noon at Whole Foods  
 Family Night Supper — 5:00 p.m. in MH  
 College Dinner & Discussion — 5:15 p.m. in SC211  
 Children's SS Volunteer Training — 5:30 p.m. in WH202  
 Junior High D Groups — 5:30 p.m. in YH  
 Children's Playtime — 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m. in Gym/Playground  
 Adult Choir Rehearsal — 5:50 p.m. in MS  
 Chinese Bible Study — 6:00 p.m. in SC210  
 Senior High Small Group Meeting — 6:20 p.m. in YH201/202  
 Mid-week Bible Study and Prayer Meeting — 6:30 p.m. in PH  
 Adult D-Groups — 6:30 p.m. in various locations  
 Children's Choirs — 6:30 p.m. in various locations  
 Brass Rehearsal — 6:45 p.m. in Sanctuary

## Thursday

Ladies' Bible Study (Daniel) — 9:00 a.m. in PH & SC  
 Ladies' Bible Study (Hebrews) — 9:45 a.m. in MH  
 The Learning Resource Center — 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.  
 Outreach Committee Meeting — 12:00 noon in SC211

## Friday

No Scheduled Activities

## Saturday

Men's Prayer Breakfast — 7:30 a.m. in MH

BC - Basement Classroom  
 CH - College House  
 LH - Lowe Hall  
 M - Main Floor

MCR - Ministers Conference Room  
 MH - Miller Hall  
 MS - Music Suite

PH - Patterson Hall  
 YH - Youth House  
 SC - Study Center  
 WH - Westminster Hall

HC - Hutton Chapel  
 LRC - Learning Resource Center  
 SR - Session Room

# ANNOUNCEMENTS CONTINUED

## PARENTS' PRAYER LUNCH

Parents of students grades seven through 12, please join us as we re-launch our Parents' Prayer Lunches this semester for fellowship and a time of prayer for our students and families. Our first meeting is this week September 13, at 12:00 noon at Whole Foods. There is no cost, but please reserve your spot with Jenny Sanders by emailing [youthhouse@fpcjackson.org](mailto:youthhouse@fpcjackson.org) or through the FPC app. Save the dates for the other Parents' Prayer Lunches this semester: October 18 and November 15. There will be a prayer breakfast held specifically for dads October 26 at Broad Street at 7:00 a.m.

## BAPTISM — SEPTEMBER 17

The next baptism is scheduled for Sunday, September 17, 2017. Space is available at the 8:30 a.m. service only. To make your reservation, please contact Lisa Walters at 601-973-9102 or [lisaw@fpcjackson.org](mailto:lisaw@fpcjackson.org) by Wednesday.

## JUNIOR HIGH FALL RETREAT

The Junior High Fall Retreat 2017 will be held September 22-24 at Twin Lakes with speaker Kurt Cooper, Youth Minister of Trinity Presbyterian Church in Montgomery, AL, and regular speaker at RYM. The theme of the weekend is *Who is God? What Is He Like?* This cost of the retreat is \$125, and you may register online at [www.fpcjackson.org/youth](http://www.fpcjackson.org/youth) or through the FPC app.

## ENGAGED AND NEWLY MARRIED CLASS

Consider joining us for a six-week study starting Wednesday, September 27, for engaged couples and newlyweds (up to five years of marriage). It will be taught by various people, include mentor couples, and cover topics that are often included in premarital counseling (conflict, communication, intimacy, money, in-laws, etc.). Please sign up by talking to David Felker or emailing [youngadults@fpcjackson.org](mailto:youngadults@fpcjackson.org) by Monday, September 25.

## INTERESTED IN JOINING FIRST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH?

If you are interested in joining First Presbyterian Church, please note that our next joining date is Sunday, October 1. Each person joining FPC is asked to fill out a new member form and turn it in by Wednesday, September 20. Any forms received after September 20, will be held for the next joining date. The new member forms are located in the Session Room (located off the Greeting Courtyard) after the morning worship services. If you have any questions, please contact Lisa Walters at [lisaw@fpcjackson.org](mailto:lisaw@fpcjackson.org) or 601-973-9102.

## SAVE THE DATE — 500TH REFORMATION ANNIVERSARY — OCTOBER 29

Please make plans to join us for a Presbytery-wide celebration of the Protestant Reformation here at FPCJ on Sunday, October 29, at 6:00 p.m.

## THE PCA GLOBAL MISSION CONFERENCE - NOVEMBER 10-12, 2017, IN DALLAS, TEXAS

Join us at the PCA Global Missions Conference to discover how you can help expand the reach of the Great Commission. Register before October 25, to receive the reduced conference cost of \$219. Once resisted, a link will be provided to receive a group rate for a hotel room at the Hilton Anatole where the conference will be held. To find out more or register visit [www.mtw.org/gmc](http://www.mtw.org/gmc). Come early for *Welcoming the Refugee*, a timely pre-conference that will lead you to dive deep into this critical global need.

## SUPPORT GROUP — SPECIAL SPEAKER THIS MONTH

Do you have a loved one who is struggling with alcoholism/addiction? There is an anonymous support group for you that meets each month for a time of mutual encouragement and Christ-centered counsel. This month the group will hear from a Christian addiction counselor. For more information concerning the place and time of this meeting, call or text 601-260-0388.

# FAMILY WORSHIP GUIDE

At FPC, we believe that family worship is important. Recognizing the time challenges of a busy week with work and school, we want to make it as easy as possible for you. So we hope you find this Family Worship Guide helpful and use it in your homes this week. Each week addresses a question from the *Westminster Shorter Catechism*, with a daily scripture reference, key thought, and questions for family discussion. You can use this abbreviated version by simply taking this bulletin home with you today, or get the complete version emailed to you weekly by subscribing at [fpcj.ms/fam-devo](http://fpcj.ms/fam-devo). Or contact the church office at 601-353-8316 or [receptionist@fpcjackson.org](mailto:receptionist@fpcjackson.org).

## **THIS WEEK'S FOCUS:**

**Question 72: What does the seventh commandment forbid?**

**Answer:** The seventh commandment forbids thinking, saying, or doing anything sexually impure.

## **MONDAY**

**Scripture:** Proverbs 2:1-22; Matthew 12:43-45

**Key Thought:** The 7th commandment forbids the neglect of the duties required.

### **Questions:**

- What were the duties required in the 7th commandment?
- How does neglect of these duties open the way for sexual temptation?
- What will happen if holiness, purity, and faithfulness are not actively cultivated in your life? Why?

Prayer

## **TUESDAY**

**Scripture:** Leviticus 18:1-30; 1 Corinthians 6:9-11

**Key Thought:** The 7th commandment forbids any physical transgression against God's laws regarding sexual intimacy.

### **Questions:**

- Is physical intimacy between a man and a woman sinful? Explain.
- What kinds of distortions of God's good design for physical intimacy has sinful man pursued?
- Can a person be cleansed from such abominable practices? How?

Prayer

## **WEDNESDAY**

**Scripture:** Colossians 3:1-10; 2 Corinthians 10:3-5

**Key Thought:** The 7th commandment forbids entertaining and cultivating unclean thoughts and affections.

### **Questions:**

- Do you have any control over what you think and feel? Explain.
- What commands does Paul give concerning your thought life?
- By what power are you able to re-direct your thoughts?

Prayer

## **THURSDAY**

**Scripture:** Romans 13:8-14; 1 Peter 4:1-5

**Key Thought:** The 7th commandment forbids all actions that tend to encourage the heart to lust.

### **Questions:**

- What kinds of entertainments does this commandment forbid?
- Does this commandment speak to how a Christian is to dress?
- What other actions might tend to inflame or provoke lust?

Prayer

## **FRIDAY**

**Scripture:** Genesis 2:18-25; Matthew 19:3-6; Ephesians 5:25-33

**Key Thought:** The 7th commandment forbids the violation of God's institution of marriage.

### **Questions:**

- Does any man or woman have the right to ignore or violate marriage?
- What spiritual reality does marriage illustrate for us?
- How is that spiritual truth distorted by sexual sin?

Prayer