

## Online Answer Key

### **Chapter 1—Selfishness**

#### Weed #1: Weed of Vanity

1. Jeremiah 4:14 and 1 Corinthians 3:20—vain thoughts; Isaiah 36:5 and Ephesians 5:6—vain words; 2 Chronicles 13:7 and Proverbs 12:11—vain men/persons.
2. Pleasing self and channeling our energy into activities that are of no value will encourage selfishness.
3. He will not hear it or pay any attention to it.
4. The children of Israel reject God and His commandments—a repetitious pattern. They followed vanity and became vain in their thinking, behavior and relationships; ourselves.
5. a.) they are ungrateful; b.) they become vain in their imaginations (thoughts); c.) their hearts become foolish and darkened; they no longer worship God the Creator, but change over to worshipping man-made objects/ idols.
6. He came to minister to others and to die for us; to serve.
7. He washes the feet of the disciples.
8. To have the mind of Christ.
9. God has given us Jesus as an example to follow.
10. Answers may vary: loving, humbleness, kindness, mercy, selfless, patient, obedient, burdened for souls, close to God, compassionate, committed, a servant's heart, steadfast, and forgiving; no; answers may vary.
11. Vanity refers to emptiness, symbolic of something that lacks depth; it is a void that is filled with self-interests; Christ emptying out His glory shows His willingness to fulfill the Father's Will in His life, humble Himself and obediently submit to the role of a servant; the form of a servant; The will of His heavenly Father; yes; humility.

#### Weed #2: Weed of Rebellion

1. To anoint Saul as king of Israel; to obey the voice of the words of the Lord.
2. Utterly destroy them, spare them not, and destroy their animals, every man, every woman, infant and child.
3. Saul obeys by gathering his men, and destroys the Amalekites, but spares Agog the king of the Amalekites, and also keeps the best of the sheep and oxen; no.
4. "I have performed the commandment of the Lord."

5. He blames the people for sparing the best of the flock; he says that the people took of the spoils so that they could sacrifice it to the Lord.
6. “Behold, to obey is better than sacrifice, and to hearken than the fat of rams”; obedience--in spirit, worship & in truth; God.
7. He says he feared the people and obeyed their voice instead of the Lord’s; not acceptable; He should have feared the Lord, not the people and obeyed the Lord’s voice and not have obeyed or been persuaded by the voice of the people; Saul cared more about what the people thought about him, rather than look to the Lord to seek who he really should be pleasing.
8. The Lord removes Saul from the position as a result of his disobedience and rebellion.
9. God is not in all his thoughts; be excited about God's Word, love it and meditate on it throughout the day.
10. When we make ourselves familiar with God’s Word through meditation and obedience to what we observe from God’s Law, our lives will be more prosperous and successful. In other words, our lives will have a deeper meaning and purpose, and we will be in His Will.
11. “Thou shall have no other gods before me.”; answers may vary.

### Weed #3: Weed of Covetousness

1. From within, out of the heart of man; evil thoughts, adulteries, fornications, murders, thefts, wickedness, deceit, lasciviousness, an evil eye, blasphemy, pride and foolishness; defile a man.
2. Our own lusts; every man; we sin, and ultimately die; answers may vary: be spiritually strong and built up in the Lord; be aware of what our weaknesses are; do everything to please God; pray to God for help.
3. Leviticus 19:31—seek after wizards, bad; 2 Chronicles 19:3—seek God, good; Job 31:35—desire that God will hear, good; Proverbs 17:11—evil men seek rebellion, bad; Colossians 3:2—set affection on things above, good.
4. 1 Kings 21:1-4, 5-16—Ahab; he is coveting Naboth’s vineyard; Ahab’s wife, Jezebel develops a scheme and Naboth is put to death. Ahab then acquires the vineyard.  
Esther 6:6-9, 10-12--Haman; he is coveting honor, prestige and popularity; Haman’s idea for recognition takes an ironic twist. Mordecai is honored instead of Haman, who is ashamed by it.  
2 Samuel 11:2-4, 5-17—David; he is coveting another’s wife (Bathsheba); David commits adultery; she becomes pregnant; David plans the death of Uriah, her husband, to cover their sin.  
Luke 16:14-15—the Pharisees; money, getting rich; the Pharisees understood Jesus’ parable on covetousness, but thought it was foolish.

5. “Thou shall not covet thy neighbor’s wife, house, manservant, maidservant, etc., anything that is thy neighbor’s.”
6. Answers may vary; incline my heart to your testimonies.
7. The Lord.
8. Righteousness, godliness, faith, love, patience and meekness; no; meekness.
9. 2 Chronicles 15:15—restoration and rest; Proverbs 28:5—they that seek the Lord get understanding; Jeremiah 29:13—the presence of God; Amos 5:14—life is promised to those who seek God.
10. “With my whole heart have I sought thee: O let me not wander from thy commandments.”  
(KJV)

## **Chapter 2—Hypocrisy**

### Weed #4: Weed of Insincerity

1. Sincere and without offence.
2. The flaws we have will make us weaker vessels for God’s use; our impact on others will not be genuine; others see the hypocrisy and don’t want what I have.
3. Answers may vary.
4. Say what you mean, and mean what you say.
5. Luke 22:57-62—Peter; denied Jesus three times; wept bitterly when he realized his actions were wrong. Acts 5:1-11—Ananias & Sapphira; holding back on money received for land; judgment and death. Matthew 26:14-16—Judas Iscariot; chosen as one of the twelve disciples; Judas was a false follower, and betrayed Jesus for thirty pieces of silver.
6. Genesis 7:1—Noah; righteous; built ark/obedient to the Lord, saved from the flood. Job 1:8—Job; perfect, upright, fears God, eschewed evil; stayed faithful, was healed and received more blessings; 1 Peter 2:21-23—Christ; sinless, no guile found in his mouth, did not threaten others; set an example of being holy, committed to the Father’s Will.
7. Love your enemies, bless them that curse you, pray for those that despitefully use you and persecute you, do good to them that hate you.
8. Fear the Lord, serve Him with truth and with all your heart, be thankful for what He has already done for you. Stay close to God and seek to please Him always.

### Weed #5: Weed of Deception

1. Genesis 3:13—beguiled; Psalm 34:13—guile.
2. The heart.

3. The outward appearance doesn't always reveal what the true character of a man is, the Lord looks on the heart (interior); Exodus 4:21—will; Psalm 73:21—feelings; Romans 10:9—intellect.
4. Memorizing and meditating on God's Word.
5. "They have removed their hearts far from me."
6. God's Word will fill it up (it enlarges).
7. A tender heart.
8. Answers may vary.

#### Weed #6: Weed of Judging Others

1. The Pharisee is judging the sinful woman (washing Jesus' feet); weeping, wiped/washed Jesus' feet with her tears and dried them with hair; none; Simon; spoke within himself (thought it).
2. Humility.
3. No.
4. Put self last, learn to be humble; Psalm 119:136—tears of conviction; Psalm 120:1-2—awareness of sin, seeking help; John 11:35—mourning, loss, compassion; 2 Corinthians 2:4—compassion, care; Acts 20:19—temptations, concern, struggles.
5. No/yes; a defensive or angry attitude; yes; answers may vary: we may feel guilty, knowing it is actually the truth; we don't want to hear the truth; we are spiritually immature and don't want to deal with this sin issue in our lives.
6. In ourselves—beam/plank; In others—mote/speck/splinter.
7. Answers may vary, could include: it needs to be dealt with first; it would be easy to overlook a small flaw/fault in ourselves; our ability to discern is seriously impaired because our vision is damaged.
8. We must remove the fault or imperfection from our own lives before we can help someone else deal with their error/fault.
9. Answers may vary: patience, understanding, openness to see what the true problem is, wisdom, the ability to not speak up too quickly, to have the right and loving response when someone may be trying to help me.
10. Romans 14:13—"Let us not therefore judge one another anymore: but judge this rather, that no man put a stumbling-block or an occasion to fall in his brother's way." (KJV)

### **Chapter 3—Purity**

#### Weed #7: Weed of Immodesty

1. Apparel, our dress or clothing; yes; even though a girl may be dressed in modest clothing, she could still conduct herself in a way which is seductive and provocative.

2. Shamefacedness/propriety and sobriety/moderation and good works; good manners, a respectable attitude; someone who shows self-control and concern for the well-being of others because they perform good works; yes.
3. No; yes/no; Answers may vary.
4. Esther 2:7, 15—Esther; fair and beautiful, all that look upon Esther are pleased. 1 Samuel 25:3—Abigail; a woman of good understanding and a beautiful countenance (appearance); Proverbs 31:10-31—the Proverbs 31 woman (no name is given); Answers may vary: she is a hard-working, compassionate woman, who speaks kindly, is generous with her time and talents; is a blessing to her husband and honors God; Acts 9:36—Tabitha or Dorcas; a woman known for her good works and charitable acts of kindness.
5. Answers may vary: humbleness, moderation/self-control, not flashy or loud, kind, gentle, pleasant to look at, clean appearance/well-groomed; yes/no.
6. Beauty, purity, happiness, anticipation, love, innocence, total surrender, preparation for a life-time commitment; the doctrine of God.
7. A meek and quiet spirit; it is of great value to God.
8. Romans 13:12—the armor of light; Ephesians 6:11—the whole armor of God; Colossians 3:10—the new man; Colossians 3:12-14—bowels of mercy, kindness, humbleness of mind, meekness, longsuffering, and charity (love).
9. Holiness begins on the inside. I will want to have an appearance that pleases the Lord if holiness is my goal. That appearance will, without question, be a modest one.

Weed #8: Weed of Impurity

1. As the temple of the Holy Ghost.
2. Holy place, shrine, place of worship; glorify God in your body and in your spirit; Two reasons: (1) our bodies and our spirits are God's; (2) we are bought with a price, meaning Jesus' shed blood for our sins paid the sin debt we owe to be declared righteous before our heavenly Father in heaven. When we have trusted Jesus Christ as our Savior, we have been saved from eternal suffering in hell and have assurance of eternal life in heaven.
3. We are made in God's image; answers may vary: eat right, get enough sleep, bathe and wash regularly, dress nicely, maintain a nice appearance.
4. Pure in Heart/Mind: having the right motives in my thoughts and behavior; filling my free time with wholesome activities; serving in church ministries; reading good books; spending time in prayer and Bible study; developing more discernment for what is right and wrong; choosing friends who love the Lord.

Impure in Heart/Mind: reading sensual or inappropriate books and magazines; viewing sexually-explicit television shows or movies; allowing self to be repeatedly exposed to worldly influences and not be affected by it.

Pure in Language: speaking kindly to others and encouraging them; not using crude language or swearing; our conversations should be well-mannered and sensible; witnessing to others about Christ.

Impure in Language: using God's name in the wrong way; lying; use of harsh or vulgar language; criticizing and teasing with our words; having obscene or indecent conversations.

Pure in Body: abstain from things that cause harm to my body (alcohol, smoking, drugs, etc.); waiting until marriage to have sexual relations; avoid situations where temptation can occur; taking proper care of my body.

Impure in Body: having sexual relations before marriage; improper touching; partaking of any intimate, physical activity which stirs up lustful desires and impulses; over-indulgence with food (gluttony); partaking of those things which harm my body (alcohol, smoking, drugs, etc.).

5. It is the will of God for me; we should treat our bodies with respect and honor; fornication/sexual immorality (sex outside of marriage); when one commits the sin of fornication, he/she is sinning against one's own body; all uncleanness or any kind of impurity, covetousness (greed and lust), filthiness, foolish talking, and jesting.

6. Our heavenly Father is holy, and we should strive to be just like Him; we need to cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit.

7. God's Word is described as pure.

8. Cleanse us; it can prevent us from sinning when we hide (memorize) it in our hearts.

9. To walk in the Spirit; we won't fulfill or give into the desires or lusts of the flesh; yielding to the control of the Holy Spirit in our lives will give us wisdom and discernment and help us resist worldly temptations; the Spirit versus the flesh.

10. His judgments; Proverbs 28:10—they will have good things in possession; Psalm 37:37—peace; Psalm 84:11—God will bless us with good things.

11. Pure, peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good works, without partiality and without hypocrisy.

#### Weed #9: Weed of Impatience

1. No/yes; answers may vary: waiting to get one's driver's license or a car, waiting to be of a certain age to date, waiting on a special occasion, waiting to go on vacation, waiting to be of age to get a job, waiting to have a boyfriend/husband, waiting to get married; A girl could have

sexual relations prior to marriage and not wait; Physically: an unplanned pregnancy, a sexually-transmitted disease; Emotionally: guilt, frustration and anger; Spiritually: distant from God, a marred testimony.

2. We should carefully and diligently guard our hearts; the lust of the flesh, the lust of the eyes and the pride of life; yes; our desire becomes sinful because we are focused on satisfying an urgent appetite. We become impatient when this desire is out of control. Many times we are willing to compromise our standards in order to get what we long for.

3. Sarai was barren and desired to have an heir. She convinced Abram to take her handmaid, Hagar as a wife and obtain an heir with her; yes; Isaac is born, after Sarah conceives in her old age.

4. Fourteen in total: seven years he served before he was deceived with getting Leah; he fulfilled his one week with Leah and served seven more years for Rachel; no.

5. Romans 15:5—He is a God of patience and consolation; Romans 15:13—He is a God of hope; Romans 15:33—He is a God of peace; God can provide peace, hope and patience—all we have to do is ask Him for it. With His help, we can be patient, hopeful and full of peace.

6. Isaiah 40:31—strengthening, endurance; Psalm 40:1—the Lord hears our cries; James 1:4—perfect (completeness) and entire, wanting nothing, we have satisfaction.

7. Everything is in the Lord's timing, God's Work is well done; we must wait with patience; know that everything He does is beautiful; no one can find out the work that God makes from the beginning to the end.

8. "How long?"; impatient and pleading; weary.

9. He doesn't faint and does not get weary; wait on the Lord; He will give us power and increase our strength.

10. "Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee; because he trusteth in thee." (KJV)

#### **Chapter 4—Tame Your Tongue**

##### Weed #10: Weed of Dishonesty

1. Psalm 34:13—Keep our tongue from evil speaking and gossip; Proverbs 4:24—put away perverse talking.

2. If we consider how holy He is, we cannot fathom something disgusting and loathsome in His presence. If lying is an abomination that God cannot tolerate or accept, we should want to reject it as well.

3. We are members of one another (in the body of Christ).

4. We are new creatures in Christ once we are saved. A change should be seen in us.
5. In the Bible/knowing God.
6. Lying; God's Law.
7. Satan; truth.
8. The whole world.
9. The girdle.
10. It will be the standard, or support system in which everything else in my life is built upon.
11. Choose to be obedient to God's Word.

Weed #11: Weed of Gossip

1. Answers may vary.
2. Idle.
3. Wandering about, "tattlers".
4. Proverbs 16:28—whisperer; 2 Thessalonians 3:11—busybodies.
5. They are like deep wounds which inflict harm.
6. They aren't trustworthy at all, repeating information separates (does harm to) friendships.
7. Compassionate, gracious, longsuffering, merciful, truthful; mercy and truth.
8. Psalm 25:10—God's Will (direction) will be shown; Psalm 61:7—preservation; Proverbs 16:6—iniquity is purged.
9. They are all positive qualities which only would have the best interests of others in mind. Gossip would be harmful and be in direct contrast to having the character traits of Christ in my life.
10. The Holy Spirit.
11. Psalm 139:4—"For there is not a word in my tongue, but, lo, O Lord, thou knowest it altogether." (KJV)

Weed #12: Weed of Negativity

1. Proverbs 7:21—flattering/seducing; Psalm 15:3—backbiting; Psalm 22:7—scorning/mocking; Psalm 12:3—boasting/pride; Hosea 4:2a—swearing and lying.
2. Psalm 52:2—sharp razor; Isaiah 30:27—devouring fire; Psalm 64:3—sword; Jeremiah 9:8—arrow being shot out.
3. Poison.
4. Permanent damage, scarring.
5. Blessing and cursing, life and death.
6. Psalm 40:5, 10—declare His wondrous works, His faithfulness, loving-kindness, His salvation;



Psalm 63:3-5—my lips will praise Him; Psalm 96:2—sing and declare His glory; Psalm 107:1—giving thanks.

7. They prayed and sang praises to God at midnight while locked up in prison.
  8. The inmates heard them singing praises, prison guard and his house (family) got saved.
  9. They turned to the Lord when afflicted and when merry, they also trusted in Him.
  10. We can trust Him to help us; through prayer and praise, we can bless Him with our mouths.
- Colossians 3:16—“Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom; teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord.” (KJV)

### **Chapter 5—Peer Pressure**

#### Weed #13: Weed of Insecurity (lack of confidence)

1. It is good and pleasant; in unity.
2. Likeminded .
3. In the same mind and same judgment.
4. We will have peace; we can exemplify godly traits of patience, love and compassion, and have a humbleness of mind at the same time.
5. The Lord; His Word.
6. Idols; they have mouths which do not speak, ears that do not hear, eyes that do not see, they are fashioned by man’s hands; they are spiritually dead.
7. No; yes.
8. To the saints and faithful brethren; faith, love, hope, bring forth fruit, their hope of salvation, their humbleness and obedience to God’s Word; pray for them and desire them to grow spiritually and to know God’s Will for them.
9. They were once alienated and enemies in their mind by wicked works (hostile in their mind towards God).
10. Continue in the faith grounded and settled, be not moved away.

#### Weed #14: Weed of Apathy (lack of interest)

1. Zeal
2. Nehemiah 1:11—servants have a desire to fear God’s name; Job 31:35—desire that God will answer prayer; Mark 11:24—whatever I desire and ask God for; 1 Corinthians 14:1—desire spiritual gifts; 1 Peter 2:2—desire the sincere milk of the word.
3. We are to show (perform) good works which God has prepared for us.

4. It works against it; when we have apathy, we aren't accomplishing anything for God.
5. Answers may vary: we really won't care about who we are influenced by or what we do with our friends; there is no plan or purpose in what we do; we will have no discernment; we are not very useful in the Lord's service as a result.
6. Ephesians 4:32—positive; Psalm 55:14—positive; Proverbs 23:20—negative; John 3:20--negative; Ephesians 5:11—negative; Proverbs 27:6—positive.
7. Psalm 27:6—joy, desire to worship; Psalm 18:48-49—thanksgiving, joyfulness, recognition of strength given; Romans 10:15—desire to share the good news with others; 1 Peter 2:9—chosen, holy, reflect Christ's character; positive.
8. "All Scripture is given by inspiration of God, and is profitable for doctrine, for reproof, for correction, for instruction in righteousness. That the man of God may be perfect thoroughly furnished unto all good works."
9. It stirred up a warmth inside, possibly a familiarity of hearing Old Testament prophecy recited to them again by Jesus Himself!; God's Word is alive and powerful and will fulfill us and refresh us; get more familiar with knowing and applying it daily to your life.
10. God; His Word.
11. Psalm 119:52—comfort can be found; Psalm 119:133—revelation of His Will can come through His Word; Jeremiah 15:4—His Word will bring inner joy and rejoicing; John 6:68—they are the words of eternal life; Romans 15:4—His Words offer hope and understanding.

Weed #15: Weed of Ignorance (lack of knowledge)

1. God; reprimand or scold; No; this verse tells us that God will not be exhausted by our petitions or respond to us inappropriately. We don't have to hold back asking Him for wisdom~ it is plentiful and unconditional; God will answer our requests.
2. It gives us strength, ability to accomplish much with knowledge rather than physical strength.
3. Little wisdom/little strength; much or great wisdom/much or great strength.
4. Strength helps us stand apart when we know we need to take a stand; we have greater discernment with more wisdom when it is God's wisdom we are following.
5. He uses Scripture, quoting it in verses 4, 8 and 12.
6. Psalm 1:1-2—doing right and pleasing God will bring true happiness; our priorities will be in the right place as well; Philippians 4:13—draw from Christ the strength I need in ALL things; 1 Peter 4:14—Christ is well-pleased with our stand against temptation and evil; it is He who gets the glory when we reflect Him!

7. John 16:13-14—the Holy Spirit guides us in truth and discernment; glorifies God; Romans 8:26-27—the Holy Spirit helps us pray; 1 Corinthians 2:12-13—revelation of God’s Will and truths; Galatians 5:22-23—evidence of the Holy Spirit in our lives will be reflected outwardly in what we do (our fruit); 1 John 3:24—the Holy Spirit bears witness with our spirits that we are children of God.
8. Solomon requests wisdom and knowledge; More blessings were bestowed, riches and wealth and honor like no one before his reign or after it; Solomon reigned 40 years.
9. King Solomon passed all the other kings in the amount of wealth and wisdom he possessed; they also respected/honored his wisdom.
10. Obedience, humbleness.
11. “Teach me good judgment and knowledge: for I have believed thy commandments.” (KJV)

## **Chapter 6—Having the Right Responses**

### Weed #16: Weed of Complaining

1. We are not to murmur or dispute; in all things; that you may be blameless and harmless; as the sons of God, without rebuke, we can shine as lights (stand out) in the world which is crooked and perverse.
2. Luke 10:40-41—serving (feeling burned out); 1 Peter 4:9—hospitality; 2 Corinthians 9:7—giving/financially.
3. It happened to them as an example and is given to us as an admonition (warning); because He is displeased with it; it is sin, and leads to ruin and destruction.
4. Exodus 16:1-3—they are complaining about being hungry and refer back to their days in Egypt when they were fed fully; Exodus 17:1-3—they are complaining about being thirsty and question Moses’ motives for bringing them into the wilderness. They also questioned God’s Presence.
5. The Israelites, after being miraculously delivered from bondage in Egypt, murmur against Moses, weep all night; complain that it would have been better to return to Egypt and die there.
6. (1) he had another spirit with him (one of meekness); (2) he was obedient to the Lord’s commands; Joshua.
7. Those that are 20 years of age and older will not enter the promised land; they will have to wander for 40 years (one year for each day they searched the land); they will die in the wilderness; it’s a lack of trusting God, we miss out on God blessing us and working things out in His way; we grumble and complain about the problem and pressures, forget the benefits and blessings God has granted us in the past.

8. Answers may vary.

9. His Word; victory.

10. Rejoice in the Lord, rejoice evermore; confidence in what Christ has done, humbleness, thankfulness, total trust.

11. God has chosen me; given me purpose (ordained) and ability to bear fruit (anticipate spreading the good news!); answer to prayer is assured of; a personal relationship with the Father who wants only the best for us.

#### Weed #17: Weed of an Angry Spirit

1. It would probably be shown as mild irritation, not actual anger; we cannot display any behavior that contradicts our commitment to Christ; we cannot lose our temper or say/do anything that would harm others; be ever conscious of our responses; don't go to bed angry; the devil.

2. Cain was not happy about God's response to his offering (he was very wroth), and he showed it on the outside as well as on the inside.

3. Bad choices will usually result in sinful consequences.

4. He murders Abel, his brother; hatred, backbiting, envy, wrath, even murderous thoughts; no.

5. Cease from anger, forsake wrath, do not participate in evil behavior; keep your anger "in check"; examine your motives to determine what makes you respond in anger; pray about how you will respond to something; be careful about what activities you participate in.

6. Proverbs 14:29—wisdom; Proverbs 16:32—strength; Proverbs 29:22—strife; Proverbs 25:23—speech.

7. Be slow to speak (think about what you are going to say first!), be swift to hear (be a good listener); a soft answer turns away wrath.

8. Answers may vary: the oneness that is spoken about refers to unity -- we are united to Him once we have claimed Christ as our Lord and Savior; He desires us to live peaceably among all His creation; peace is an attribute of God, so we are more like Him when we display it.

9. He is not the author of confusion, but of peace.

10. Answers may vary: realize your problem with anger; anger displeases God; commit to discipline yourself to not respond so quickly; stay close to God; pray about it; trust that He will work every situation out in your life so there is no reason to respond angrily.

#### Weed #18: Weed of Discouragement

1. She prayed and brought it to the Lord.

2. Psalm 119:71—a desire to know the Scriptures; Job 1:20—Job worshipped the Lord; Matthew 8:23-25—seek the Lord and plead for His help; Luke 8:43-44—woman with the issue of blood physically sought out Jesus for healing; 1 Peter 5:7—humble myself and give it over to God, who will take care of it.
  3. An attitude of hope can help me anticipate better things to come; it can give me a positive outlook; it can help me accept my present circumstances, knowing that it will pass in due time and that what I hope for is so much better in comparison.
  4. We are physically weakened, makes the heart sick; we will be strengthened.
  5. Our hearts and our flesh; it states that I can do all things through Christ who gives me strength—there is nothing too overwhelming that God cannot get me through it; patience/waiting on the Lord.
  6. The coming/appearance of Christ; answers may vary.
  7. Hope; trust.
  8. “I trusted in thee, O Lord.”
  9. We will be strengthened by it.
  10. His ways are higher than my ways, and His ways are not like our ways; God is in control and knows and does what is best for us; everything that happens to us is for a reason; God gives us the grace and strength to bear it.
- 1 John 1:9—“If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.” (KJV)

## **Chapter 7—Contentment**

### Weed #19: Weed of Fear (Lack of trust)

1. Answers may vary; fear not; The Lord is on my side.
2. Psalm 5:11—trust brings joy and rejoicing; Psalm 71:5—we should trust God beginning in our youth; Isaiah 26:4—there is everlasting strength from trust in the Lord; Proverbs 29:25—trust brings safety.
3. He is a refuge for us; at all times.
4. Our own understanding.
5. Power, love and a sound mind.
6. He is obedient, tears down the idols and places of idolatry and worship; he commands the people of Judah to seek the Lord and to obey His commandments; the land has rest and peace; the city becomes well protected and fortified, and it prospers; he prays and admits God’s

presence is needed for a victory; no; the Ethiopians were overthrown and the cities around them; riches (spoil) and livestock in abundance were obtained as well; answers may vary.

7. Nothing.

8. God sent His only begotten Son, Jesus to be our substitute for our sins so that we may live eternally; answers may vary.

9. 1 John 4:18: “There is no fear in love; but perfect love casteth out fear: because fear hath torment. He that feareth is not made perfect in love”; His love completes us and gives us peace, not torment; there is no room for anything but the love He freely gives.

10. The peace of God will keep our hearts and minds through Jesus Christ. It is a peace which we would not commonly experience or understand; we will only experience it if we have given our anxiety and fears totally over to God and have relied solely on Him; things that are true, honest, just, pure, lovely, of good report, virtue and praise-worthy; the God of peace.

Weed #20: Weed of Doubt (Lack of faith)

1. Thoughts of peace; an expected end.

2. Precious, innumerable, lasting all day; yes; ours.

3. We are to ask in faith, nothing wavering, and to pray with a believing attitude that our prayers will be answered; strong.

4. Hebrews 11:1—“Now faith is the substance of things hoped for, the evidence of things not seen.”

5. Patience.

6. Deuteronomy 32:20— no faith; Matthew 8:10—great faith; Luke 12:28—little faith; Colossians 1:23—grounded and settled.

7. Prayer; answers may vary.

8. Faith comes from hearing the Word of God; He is the author and finisher of our faith; no.

9. How much more.

10. Without faith it is impossible to please him; we need to pray with believing He will respond and reward our faithfulness.

Weed #21: Weed of Ingratitude (Lack of appreciation)

1. He commands them to go show themselves to the priests; they immediately respond and head to the priests; on the way they are cleansed; one of them turns back, before even getting to the priest; he returns to Jesus’ presence and gives Him thanks for what has taken place; that we should not delay in giving thanks to God, make a point to be immediately grateful.

2. Psalm 21:13—His power; Psalm 28:7—the Lord is my strength and shield; Psalm 35:9 and Psalm 40:16—salvation; Psalm 118:24—the day that the Lord has made; Psalm 139: 14—His workmanship.
3. He gives us good things above and beyond what we expect or ask for.
4. All His benefits; daily.
5. To rejoice, pray and give thanks; “for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you.”
6. We tend to easily forget past blessings and situations where God divinely worked in our lives; remember; answers may vary: giving thanks daily in prayer, writing it down, talking and sharing what God has done; yes/no.
7. Makes a cheerful countenance (appearance on the outside); does good like a medicine/ internally healthy; medicine cures you from what is making you ill.
8. In His presence is fullness of joy; glory and honor and strength and gladness.
9. Colossians 3:17—“And whatsoever ye do in word or deed, do all in the name of the Lord Jesus, giving thanks to God and the Father by him.” (KJV)

### **Chapter 8—Wrong Influences**

#### Weed #22: Weed of Disobedience

1. When one knows to do good and chooses not to do it; yes.
2. We have become the servant of sin.
3. Yield; Satan; God.
4. It separates us from Him; our prayers are not heard or answered.
5. The flesh versus the Spirit; after the flesh, carnally-minded, in the flesh; they cannot please God.
6. WRONG influences: adultery, fornication, uncleanness, lasciviousness, idolatry, witchcraft, hatred, variance, emulations, wrath, strife, seditions, heresies, envyings, murders, drunkenness, and revellings.  
RIGHT influences: love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness (humility), and temperance (self-control).
7. They become unfruitful (unprofitable/useless) in service.
8. Have no fellowship with them, avoid them and reprove them; knowledge of the truth; discovered, revealed; no.
9. Psalm 119:110—“I have refrained my feet from every evil way, that I might keep thy word.”

10. Source of understanding—Psalm 119:104; source of delight—Psalm 119:143; source of cleansing—Psalm 119:9; source of power—Luke 4:32; source of conviction/strength—Hebrews 4:12.

11. Matthew 5:13—salt of the earth (stand apart—keep your flavor for Christ); Mark 1:17--fishers of men (soul-winners); Ephesians 5:8 and Philippians 2:15—shine as lights (reflect Christ).

#### Weed #23: Weed of Foolishness

1. Psalm 14:1—the fool has said in his heart, ‘there is no God’, denies accountability; Proverbs 1:7—fools despise wisdom and instruction; Proverbs 15:7—fools lack wisdom in what they say; Proverbs 18:6-7—a fool’s speech is destructive and contentious.

2. His own heart; be not wise in your own eyes, depart from evil and fear the Lord; they will be made based upon our own feelings and knowledge, and not God’s.

3. Mischief; they mock sin.

4. They are spiritually blind and walk in spiritual darkness.

5. The knowledge of the glory of God in the face (revelation) of Jesus Christ; their deeds are evil.

6. He is the light of the world, and those that follow Him will not walk in darkness; answers may vary.

7. Wisdom, knowledge and joy; happy; His precepts (Bible principles); the Holy Spirit.

8. The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom and the knowledge of the holy is understanding.

9. Job 28:28—depart from evil; Psalm 111:10—obey and follow His commandments.

10. Psalm 37:31—“The law of \_\_\_\_\_ God is in \_\_\_\_\_ heart; none of \_\_\_\_\_ steps shall slide.”

#### Weed #24: Weed of Poor Discernment

1. The Lord appears to Solomon in a dream, asking him what would he (Solomon) want to be given as king over Israel. Solomon’s request is for an understanding heart.

2. An understanding heart will give him discernment to judge the people and to discern between good and bad.

3. Psalm 27:11--“Teach me thy way...lead me in a plain path.” Psalm 105—“Seek the Lord...seek his face evermore.” Psalm 143:8— “cause me to know the way wherein I should walk.”

4. Feelings of delight; as a fool.

5. Meditating on what has been read; yes/no; answers may vary.



6. The Lord gives wisdom, He lays up sound wisdom; He is a buckler (shield of protection) to them that walk uprightly; He keeps the paths of judgment; He preserves the way of the saints (believers).
7. Answers may vary: God will be with me and guide me; He is able to provide me with the wisdom I need and has more for me in the future; He preserves (keeps) me in His care; He will protect me.
8. It is pleasant to the soul; the heart.
9. They speak froward (perverse) things; they walk in ways of darkness and choose to not follow the paths of righteousness; they rejoice in their evil works and the evil works of others; their ways are crooked; they are insincere with their speech; they forget God's Law; their end is destructive and deadly.
10. Wise; Answers may vary: pray, meditate, trust God in all things, read the Bible, strive to have it sink into my heart, make right choices that are in God's Will, and stay faithful.

### **Chapter 9—Authority Issues**

#### Weed #25: Weed of Bitterness

1. Answers may vary.
2. His father favored him and made him a coat of many colors; they hated him and could not speak peaceably to him; his brothers hate him even more because the dreams symbolize Joseph having dominion over them and his parents.
3. Joseph's brothers go to Shechem to take care of their flocks. Joseph's father sends him out to check on their status. As Joseph approaches, his brothers plot to kill him. Reuben suggests they cast him into a pit instead; they return with Joseph's coat, which they dipped in blood- it gives the impression that Joseph is dead, and they allow their father to assume that: deception, lying, cruelty, and hypocrisy.
4. It was evident that God was with him; there was a kindness about him; God's blessings were upon him; he was prosperous; that he trusted God in all things, and accepted God's Will for him; yes.
5. His older brothers, his father, the Midianites who purchased him from the brothers, Potiphar & his wife, the prison (captain) guard, and Pharaoh.
6. Genesis 50:20—"But as for you, ye thought evil against me; but God meant it unto good, to bring to pass, as it is this day, to save much people alive." (KJV)
7. Exodus 5:2— Egyptian Pharaoh; is not willing to free the Hebrew slaves from bondage.  
Ruth 1:16— Ruth speaking to Naomi; Ruth is willing to submit to the God that Naomi serves.

Matthew 8:8-9— the Roman centurion; the centurion recognizes his own authority over the soldiers, but clearly sees the need for his own subjection to authority as well.

Luke 2:42-48, 51— Jesus as a twelve year old; Jesus is in subjection to his earthly parents.

8. It can build into wrath, anger, clamor and evil speaking; one can become consumed by it; when Esau learns that Jacob has received the blessing (rather than himself), he hates him and plans to kill him after their father's death; Esau runs to meet Jacob, embraces him, weeps with joy; Jacob wants to present Esau with gifts in order to find grace in his sight; yes/no.

9. He saw how his circumstances helped further the spread of the gospel; it was a witness to those in the palace and other places, and it encouraged other believers to be confident to speak the truth fearlessly.

#### Weed #26: Weed of Pride

1. Haughtiness, arrogance, presumptuous, conceit, snobbery.

2. A high look.

3. Answers may vary: there is an unwillingness to yield; it can create a bad attitude of disrespect; pride acts as a barrier and we cannot accomplish anything with it in our way; we believe a lie that we are better off without God or do not need His authority in our lives.

4. Proverbs 11:2—shame (guilt) follows pride; Proverbs 16:18—destruction and a fall will follow after prideful behavior; Proverbs 28:25—pride stirs up strife.

5. Evil, pride, arrogance and the evil way.

6. Abomination; a proud look (appearance).

7. He resists the proud; He gives them grace.

8. Genesis 41:16—“It is not in me...God shall give”; Matthew 3:11—“but he that cometh after me is mightier than I, whose shoes I am not worthy to bear”; 2 Corinthians 12:7—“And lest I should be exalted above measure.”

9. Agree; answers may vary; talk about Him with others, act humbly, look for ways that honor God; serve Him by getting involved at my church, I can talk about Him to others, my attitude should be a good one; stay faithful and thankful for all that He has done and continues to do in my life.

#### Weed #27: Weed of Disrespect

1. Answers may vary: God—first and foremost as our Lord; husbands—having authority as head of the home; police officer—law and order; teacher—responsible for our education; a sports coach—in charge of a team; a doctor—medical knowledge and help; parents—raising/providing

for us; a boss—pays us to do a good job, assigns work; township/county officials—civil government; President of U.S.—national government.

2. Honor.

3. Deuteronomy 5:16—honor our parents; Psalm 119:117—His statutes; 1 Peter 2:17—honor all men; honor the king; John 5:23—honor the Son and honor the Father.

4. Daniel 6:3—the quality of an excellent spirit. Daniel 6:4—the quality of faithfulness; Daniel 6:5—the quality of having firm convictions; Daniel 6:16—the quality of serving God continually.

5. Colossians 4:6—our speech; 1 Corinthians 2:16—our minds; Matthew 5:16—our good works should glorify God.

6. We know to do good, but still make a choice to do evil.

7. He is our judge, lawgiver and king.

8. God is the one in control of our authorities over us; He removes kings and sets them in place; we answer to Him and are accountable for our behavior; realize He is in control of it all; we will also learn to trust His Way to be what is best for us, and know that He loves us.

9. Revelations 4:11—“Thou art worthy, O Lord, to receive glory and honor and power: for thou hast created all things, and for thy pleasure they are and were created.” (KJV)

## **Chapter 10--Salvation**

### Fruit of Purpose

1. Let us lay aside every weight and the sin which easily besets (ensnares or entangles) us; let us run with patience.

2. Answers may vary: it slows you down; can make you want to give up and quit; causes discouragement and is a distraction from staying focused; answers may vary.

3. 1 Peter 1:4—an inheritance, incorruptible, undefiled and does not fade away; Colossians 1:5—the hope which is laid up in heaven.

4. A crown of righteousness; yes; it will be given to all them that love His appearing.

5. A crown of life; blessed.

6. Commitment, desire to please Him, perseverance, obedience, faithfulness, sincerity, love for God, optimism, etc.

7. 2 Corinthians 1:4—c; Ephesians 2:10—a; Galatians 6:1-2—d; 1 Corinthians 4:2—b; it says He is not a respecter of persons (does not show favoritism).

8. All of us.

9. “And he shall be like a tree planted by the rivers of water, that bringeth forth his fruit in his season; his leaf also shall not wither; and whatsoever he doeth shall prosper.” (KJV)

### Fruit of Prayer

1. Psalm 28:2—hear the voice of my supplications; Psalm 61:1—hear my cry; Psalm 62:8—pour out your heart before him; Psalm 119:171—my lips will utter praise.
2. 2 Chronicles 7:14—for forgiveness of sin; Psalm 4:1—when in times of distress; Jonah 2:7—when my soul is fainting within me/in times of weakness; Matthew 26:41—pray to avoid temptation, when there is a need for strength and discernment; Romans 10:1—prayer for salvation of the lost.
3. Isaiah 38:1-5—Hezekiah; Hezekiah is near death, yet his prayer changes God’s Will. God allows him to get well and live another 15 years; Daniel 4:34, 37—Nebuchadnezzar; after being brought low in humility, Nebuchadnezzar vocalizes a praiseworthy testimony; his words here reflect a deep reverence and change of heart from how he used to respond to God; Jonah 2:1-3—Jonah; Jonah is in the fish’s belly and is praying for deliverance; God can hear his prayers despite Jonah’s deep, dark position; Luke 6:12-13—Jesus; Jesus spent all night in prayer; the next day He chose His twelve disciples. Jesus set an example of prayer for us.
4. Psalm 51:2— prayer of confession; Luke 1:46-47—prayer of adoration; Numbers 21:7—prayer of supplication; Psalm 95:1—prayer of thanksgiving.
5. Our iniquities (sins); answers may vary.
6. Jesus Christ; answers may vary: my glory, my King, my strength, my rock, my deliverer, my stay, my redeemer, my light, God of my salvation, etc.
7. Give ear to my words, consider my meditation, hearken (listen) unto the voice of my cry; I will pray unto you and direct my prayer unto you; in the morning; hope, trust, anticipation of a response.

### Fruit of Power

1. God; strength and power.
2. Evil/the devil; armor, protective gear; principalities, powers, rulers of darkness, spiritual wickedness in high places.
3. Isaiah 40:29—when weary and in need of strengthening; Nahum 1:7—in times of trouble.
4. Everlasting strength; it says that the everlasting God, the Lord, the Creator of the ends of the earth does not faint, and is not weary. We would waste our time trying to fully comprehend it.
5. Philippians 4:13—“I can do all things through Christ which strengtheneth me.” (KJV)
6. The disciples were able to speak the Word of God with boldness; answers may vary.

7. Answers may vary: God will supply me with the boldness and wisdom to speak to others about Him; He wants the best for me; my focus should be on pleasing Him above all else, not care as much on what others think or say about me.
8. The testimony of God's Son, Jesus Christ and His crucifixion; no; Paul's speech and preaching was not with enticing words of man's wisdom. This means that the simplicity and truth of the message was fundamental and its effectiveness could only be attributed to the working of God. Paul could also overcome His nervousness and trembling with the Holy Spirit's help; man's wisdom will fail, man's wisdom is full of flaws and error; we need to rely upon God's strength and power.
9. Recognizing God's power in your life and yielding to its control will require a humble spirit; when we rely on God directing us in our speech and actions, we bring honor to Him; we are a stronger testimony to others displaying how God used His power in us. God's power can work in our lives best when we are humble.

## **Chapter 11—Spiritual Growth**

### Spiritual growth is stimulated by discipleship

1. 1Timothy 1:1-2—the apostle Paul writes to Timothy, one of his converts; Ruth 1:8,14-16—Naomi (Ruth's mother-in-law) has a spiritual influence upon Ruth; the aged (older) women.
2. Answers may vary.
3. Learn them, keep them and do them.
4. Teach me; His statutes (commandments, laws).
5. Matthew 5:16—let others see your good works; John 15:8—when we bear fruit, we glorify the Father; John 8:31—we should continue in His Word (stay true to it); John 13:35—we will have love one for one another.
6. Abide in me; the branch cannot bear fruit unless it remains attached and dependent upon the vine. We cannot expect to be fruitful in our walk unless we are relying upon God, and trusting in Him as the source of our strength. Without Him, we cannot do anything.
7. John 15:16a—"Ye have not chosen me, but I have chosen you, and ordained you, that ye should go and bring forth fruit." (KJV)
8. The ungodly, sinners and the scornful; we should have delight in it, and we should meditate day and night upon it; there are visible signs of growth, leaves will not wither-they are healthy, there is prosperity.

### Spiritual growth is strengthened by diligence

1. Answers may vary; industrious, attentiveness, conscientious.; carelessness, negligent, distracted; yes/no; answers may vary.
2. Genesis 6:13-14, 22— Noah; God instructs Noah to build an ark, and he is obedient to do it. It takes 100 years for him to complete the task! 1 Samuel 23:14— Saul; Saul is relentless in his pursuit of David, and desires to take his life. Matthew 2:1-2, 10-11— the wise men; they travel on foot from Jerusalem to Bethlehem to come and worship the Christ child. They persist and when they finally arrive, the newborn is now a young child. Acts 2:42-47—members of the early church; there was daily worship, generosity, true love for the brethren, a united/common bond in Christ, rewards of faithfulness and witnessing, seeing new souls added daily.
3. Love the LORD your God, walk in all His ways, keep His commandments, cleave unto Him, serve Him with all your heart and with all your soul.
4. Answers may vary: if not diligent, then they are letting their guard down; could become more vulnerable to temptation or wicked influence or enemy attacks; the blessings, protection, and fruitfulness seen from a close relationship with God will not continue.
5. Those that seek me (God) early; it shows the right priorities, we grow closer to God when we make time for Him in our lives.
6. An attitude of eagerness and anticipation; desire to be with God, anticipation.
7. Psalm 42:1-2—as the hart (deer pants for water)/ my soul thirsts; Psalm 119:131—opened my mouth and panted; Psalm 130:6—my soul waits for the Lord more than they that watch for morning; Luke 24:32—did not our heart burn within us?
8. Palm tree, cedar, green olive tree; stability, able to resist tropical storms, deep roots, a productive and helpful plant; dependable, firm, solid, incorruptible, extremely long-lived (some reports estimate a span of 1,000 years!); useful and relied upon for its fruit, thriving, presently doing well where it is planted (that's why it is green); answers vary: they would not be useful, they would be immature in their size and development; a long period of time is needed for the tree to be strong, productive and independent.
9. A tree planted by water— in a place where God has placed him; “the waters” refer to a supply source—that which is sustaining; spreading of roots— 1.) means there is growth and expansion; 2.) an endless resource that gives life/promotes growth; does not see (fear) the heat coming— is not living a life of fear or dreading trials in the future; presence of green leaves— symbolizes that the man/plant is healthy and alive, not wilting from the heat (trials); is not anxious in the year of the drought— does not worry or become discouraged about the (spiritual) dry spells in their life

does not cease from yielding fruit— there is no interruption of growth, productiveness is expected, does not backslide.

### Spiritual growth is steered by dependence upon God

1. Deuteronomy 20:1-4— he fights against my enemies to save me; Psalm 6:2—healing and strengthening are requested; Psalm 55:22—when faced with a heavy burden; Psalm 56:3—when I am afraid; Nahum 1:7—a strong hold in the day of trouble.
2. Walk in Him; rooted and built up in him, established in the faith; firm; an attitude of gratefulness and thanksgiving.
3. Psalm 48:14— God is our guide even unto death; John 10:11, 27— Jesus is the Good Shepherd who leads His sheep (people); John 16:13—the Holy Spirit.
4. They are one and the same; Answers may vary: we are looking to one source for guidance; we can have a deeper relationship with God when we understand the impact of His Son and Holy Spirit in our lives.
5. If any man will come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow me; answers may vary: in order to deny self, humility is needed, we would depend more on God for strength, following Christ is the right decision; God wants all of us.
6. Proverbs 3:5-6— “Trust in the LORD with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths.”
7. Genesis 26:3—Isaac; Genesis 31:3—Jacob; Exodus 3:12—Moses; Deuteronomy 31:23—Joshua; Judges 6:16—Gideon.
8. Exodus 19:4—and how I bare you on eagles’ wings and brought you unto myself; Psalm 94:18—your mercy held me up; Psalm 36:7— under the shadow of your wings; Isaiah 42:6— I the Lord... will hold your hand; John 14:17—His Spirit of truth is in us; Revelations 21:23—the Glory of God/His presence will be the fullness of light.
9. No/Yes/Sometimes; Answers may vary.

## **Chapter 12—Witnessing**

### Reap Rewards of Obedience

1. Answers may vary: not knowing the language or customs of the people, persecution, lack of funds, rejection of the message, threat of illness or disease; answers may include: rejection, not knowing the answer to their questions, mocking and ridicule; answers may vary.
2. Children, heirs and joint-heirs; 1 Corinthians 3:9—we are laborers, His husbandry, God’s building; 2 Corinthians 6:4—ministers of God; no; answers may vary.
3. He that plants and he that waters are one; the one who first tells someone about Christ,

the laying down of the foundation, the initial groundwork which could lead to fruition/salvation in one's life; someone who is following up after the initial conversation/witness opportunity has taken place; the initiation of spiritual growth is now taking place; God does.

4. That we should go and bring forth fruit, and that our fruit should remain (have lasting consequences); Proverbs 11:18—a sure reward.
5. He arose and went; he is obedient to the command spoken by the angel.
6. As an eunuch of great authority, in charge of the queen's treasure; a religious man; reading the Old Testament Scriptures, specifically Isaiah 53:7-8; to go to the eunuch and join himself (accompany the eunuch in his chariot) to the chariot.
7. Philip immediately ran to him; Philip hears the eunuch reading from the Scriptures and asks him if he understands what he is reading. The eunuch does not understand it, questions Philip, who then preaches/shares Christ with him.
8. Answers may vary; no/yes.
- 9.) Proverbs 11:30—"The fruit of the righteous is a tree of life; and he that winneth souls is wise."

#### Reap Rewards of His Promises

1. No; when we are seeking to do what God desires for us, he will provide us with the wisdom, discernment and courage to accomplish it; answers may vary.
2. Isaiah 26:3—perfect peace; Psalm 86:7—God will answer me in times of trouble; Psalm 31:24—strengthening; Matthew 11:29—rest for your soul; Romans 10:9—salvation; 1 John 1:9—forgiveness of sin/cleansing.
3. Answers may vary.
4. If we ask anything according to His will, he hears us.
5. If God has helped me thru difficulties, then I can be a strong spokesman, testifying of how He was faithful in my time of need; no matter what situation someone else is facing, Christ can be their Savior too.
6. We will reap (blessings);
7. His character is one of steadfastness and completeness; God's attentiveness and perfect ways are with me always.
8. The promise of eternal life.
9. I will betroth you unto me.

#### Reap Rewards of Joyfulness



1. Answers may vary: kind, caring, patient, peaceful, fun to be around, humble, happy; love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, and temperance.
2. Psalm 118:24—the day that the Lord has made; Psalm 119:162—His Word; Psalm 139:14—realizing I have a Creator who has created me; His Works.
3. Salvation; his soul, which has been redeemed; answers may vary; to be set free, liberated, delivered.
4. Hopeless, no joy, depression, dead end, no way out, forever separated from God, dead in sins, in bondage/slavery.
5. A sheep and a coin; it represents man's lost condition (as a sinner), and the need to be found (salvation); both the man and woman went searching for what was lost. The man went out looking in the wilderness for where the sheep would have strayed. The woman swept the house and lit a candle; they both called their friends and neighbors to share the news, and to share their joy.
6. Answers may vary; those in heaven and the angels in heaven .
7. It means to have a deep burden for the lost so that there are tears wept on their behalf/ for their salvation; yes/no; answers may vary: pass out tracts, invite them to church services, let them know that I am praying for them, show them by my actions that I am a Christian, share my personal testimony with someone, volunteer and/or serve in a ministry which reaches out to the lost (visitation, nursing home), write or call someone to encourage them, etc.
8. Nehemiah 10:8—joy; Psalm 5:11—rejoice, joy, joyful; Psalm 16:11—joy; Isaiah 61:10—rejoice, joyful; Philippians 2:16—rejoice.
9. Genesis 1:31—He created us and God saw that it was very good; Psalm 104:31—the LORD rejoices in His works; Proverbs 11:20— they that are upright (blameless) in their way are His delight; Isaiah 62:5—He rejoices over us like a bridegroom rejoices over his bride; Jude 1:24—He presents us faultless before the presence of His glory.