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build homework

DUE: October 10, 2015

D1 - Getting started with the first discipline. . .

Before you begin this homework, take a few minutes to pray and focus your heart and mind on God. Thank Him for His Word and ask Him to reveal more of Himself to you through His Word. Ask Him to increase your heart's desire to know and love Him.

LOOKING BACK. . .

Review your lesson notes from September 26 ("**God's Transformation of Man**"). That lesson was an "avalanche" of gospel truth. Don't be overwhelmed by how much there is to consider in God's transformation of man through the gospel of Jesus Christ. But, as you reflect back on that lesson, what did you find new, encouraging or helpful? What difference do you see that lesson making in your daily living?

LOOKING DAY BY DAY. . .

Have you selected a Bible reading plan yet? Which one? How has your daily reading been going? How well are you doing at looking for God as you read (His character and actions toward man)? Explain a bit, please. Are you using your reading time to also express your love for Him, worship of Him, thanks to Him? If you don't see improvement in this immediately, don't lose heart. Pray and be sure to ask for help.

LOOKING AHEAD. . .

In preparation for the Saturday, October 10 lesson (D1 - The Heart - Troubling and Comforting Truths for My Heart), read Eph 3:14-19 (especially focusing in on 3:17). What does the passage say about Christ and your heart? Write out below a simple prayer expressing something of Paul's prayer in Eph 3.

LOOKING DEEPER - D1: My heart. . . His Word (Psalm 119).

- Read Psalm 119:1-8.
- Make a list of the synonyms for God's Word in 119:1-8.

- What does the Psalmist say in these verses about the "heart" (the inner man)?

- Why has God "ordained" or "commanded" His precepts (His Word), 119:4?

- Write out a brief prayer to God about how diligent you have been in your obedience to God's word, and how you want your diligence to look in the days to come.

- How does the Psalmist express his need for help from God in his obedience?

- Write out a brief prayer to God expressing your need for His help in your obedience to Him.