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**Lesson 8 - Thurs.
Thursday, November 20, 2014**

MARY AND MARTHA—LUKE 10:38-42

**DUE:
Thursday, December 4, 2014**

Before you begin your lesson and daily Bible reading, look up and pray through Philippians 4:6-8.

LOOKING BACK...

Read Luke 10:38-42 and review the lesson notes from Mary and Martha, November 22, 2014.

Think about Martha's response. The passage says she was "distracted" with all her preparations, and Jesus said that she was "worried and bothered." When you are tempted to respond to your circumstances in that way, how will you use the gospel to shepherd your heart? What truths does your heart need to remember? How might that kind of heart shepherding change your response?

In what ways have you chosen to make Jesus your priority this week? What did that look like? Is there something that you should NOT have chosen that would have made Him a greater priority? What will you change for the coming week?

LOOKING DAY BY DAY...

What have you learned recently from your daily time with God in His Word? How have you been encouraged?

LOOKING AHEAD...

In the next lesson, we will be looking at prayer. Often times, instead of praying, we find ourselves grumbling and complaining. The following LOOKING DEEPER lesson (beginning on page 3) will help us to replace grumbling and complaining with a heart of thanksgiving and prayer.

LOOKING DEEPER...Putting Off Grumbling and Complaining, Putting On Thankfulness

Grumbling and complaining are ways we can be contentious and tear down our homes and our relationships with our words. Think about what God's Word says about this sin and what the believer's speech should be like because of the gospel's work in us. Ask God for help to put off grumbling and complaining and to put on thanksgiving since you are a new creation in Christ, you are no longer a slave to sinful words, and He has given you everything you need for a godly, thankful heart.

Read Exodus 16:8; 17:1-7; Numbers 21:4-6; 1 Corinthians 10:1-11. Summarize what was going on. Then write out 1 Cor. 10:12-14.

Write out or summarize the following verses:

Romans 8:28

Ephesians 6:12

Philippians 2:14-15

Philippians 4:4-9

1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

James 1:2-4

Christ's love for me will help me endure difficult situations where I may be tempted to grumble and complain. Write out or summarize the following verses:

Romans 8:35-39

Ephesians 1:3-6, 11-12

On a separate sheet of paper (or on page 2 of the homework), make a list of things for which you are thankful. Spend some time in prayer thanking God for these evidences of His love and care for you.