

¹⁶ But whenever someone turns to the Lord, the veil is taken away. ¹⁷ For the Lord is the Spirit, and wherever the Spirit of the Lord is, there is freedom. ¹⁸ So all of us who have had that veil removed can see and reflect the glory of the Lord. And the Lord—who is the Spirit—makes us more and more like him as we are changed into his glorious image.

— 2 Corinthians 3:16-18

Discussion/Journal Questions

Do you have a close friend in your life you are comfortable enough to just be together? Even if you aren't talking, it just feels good being around each other. Who is that, and what is that relationship like?

Have two or three people read 2 Corinthians 3:16-18 out loud slowly. After some time of reflection, ask each other what words, phrases, or ideas stand out to everyone. What questions come to mind as you meditate on this scripture?

In Joshua 1:7-9, Joshua received encouragement as he begins to lead God's people. What about this passage can we apply to our lives and our relationship with God?

When do you stop and seek after God? Do you seek Him regularly, or do you wait until you are in crisis? Why?

In the sermon, John mentioned that if we add up all the festival and sabbath days in the Torah (the first five books of the Old Testament), it comes to 70 days devoted to stopping and seeking God. What would your year look like if you spent 70 days dedicated to stopping and seeking God?

It is one thing to listen to God, but it is another thing to obey, even when we do not fully understand. Read Joshua 6:1-5. How would you have responded if you were Joshua?

The practice for this week is to again practice listening prayer. Were you able to do this? How did it go?