**Handbook Chapter 9 Scripture Passages**

**DIGGING INTO THE WORD**

Romans 3:10-18 As it is written: “There is no one righteous, not even one;

**11**there is no one who understands; there is no one who seeks God.

**12**All have turned away, they have together become worthless; there is no one who does good, not even one.”

**13**“Their throats are open graves; their tongues practice deceit.” “The poison of vipers is on their lips.”

**14**“Their mouths are full of cursing and bitterness.”

**15**“Their feet are swift to shed blood;

**16**ruin and misery mark their ways,

**17**and the way of peace they do not know.”

**18**“There is no fear of God before their eyes.”

Titus 3:3 At one time we too were foolish, disobedient, deceived and enslaved by all kinds of passions and pleasures. We lived in malice and envy, being hated and hating one another.

Ephesians 2: 1-3 As for you, you were dead in your transgressions and sins, **2**in which you used to live when you followed the ways of this world and of the ruler of the kingdom of the air, the spirit who is now at work in those who are disobedient. **3**All of us also lived among them at one time, gratifying the cravings of our flesh and following its desires and thoughts. Like the rest, we were by nature deserving of wrath.

Psalm 51:5 Surely I was sinful at birth, sinful from the time my mother conceived me.

Psalm 58:3 Even from birth the wicked go astray; from the womb they are wayward, spreading lies.

Proverbs 22:15 Folly is bound up in the heart of a child, but the rod of discipline will drive it far away.

Proverbs 13:24 Whoever spares the rod hates their children, but the one who loves their children is careful to discipline them.

Proverbs 23:13-14 Do not withhold discipline from a child; if you punish them with the rod, they will not die.

**14**Punish them with the rod and save them from death.

Proverbs 29:15 A rod and a reprimand impart wisdom, but a child left undisciplined disgraces its mother.

**APPLICATION**

Hebrews 12:5-11 And have you completely forgotten this word of encouragement that addresses you as a father addresses his son? It says,“My son, do not make light of the Lord’s discipline, and do not lose heart when he rebukes you,**6**because the Lord disciplines the one he loves, and he chastens everyone he accepts as his son.”

**7**Endure hardship as discipline; God is treating you as his children. For what children are not disciplined by their father? **8**If you are not disciplined—and everyone undergoes discipline—then you are not legitimate, not true sons and daughters at all. **9**Moreover, we have all had human fathers who disciplined us and we respected them for it. How much more should we submit to the Father of spirits and live! **10**They disciplined us for a little while as they thought best; but God disciplines us for our good, in order that we may share in his holiness. **11**No discipline seems pleasant at the time, but painful. Later on, however, it produces a harvest of righteousness and peace for those who have been trained by it.

**STRATEGIC QUESTIONS**

Ephesians 4:31-32 Get rid of all bitterness, rage and anger, brawling and slander, along with every form of malice. **32**Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.

Colossians 3:8-12 But now you must also rid yourselves of all such things as these: anger, rage, malice, slander, and filthy language from your lips. **9**Do not lie to each other, since you have taken off your old self with its practices **10**and have put on the new self, which is being renewed in knowledge in the image of its Creator. **11**Here there is no Gentile or Jew, circumcised or uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave or free, but Christ is all, and is in all.

**12**Therefore, as God’s chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience.

James 1:19-20 My dear brothers and sisters, take note of this: Everyone should be quick to listen, slow to speak and slow to become angry, **20**because human anger does not produce the righteousness that God desires.

1 Corinthians 13:5 It does not dishonor others, it is not self-seeking, it is not easily angered, it keeps no record of wrongs.

Ephesians 4:26“In your anger do not sin”: Do not let the sun go down while you are still angry,