

Incorporating Religion and Spirituality into Batterer Intervention Programs

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APPENDIX C

Scriptural References

(Although this program is not designed as a Bible study, these Scripture references support the content of each lesson. The participants reported the accompanying Scripture helped them more fully understand how their behaviors are connected to their faith and it helped them appreciate their personal accountability to their families as well.)

Week 2

“Patient people have great understanding, but people with quick tempers show their foolishness.” Proverbs 14:29

Week 3

“Foolish people lose their tempers, but wise people control theirs.” Proverbs 29:11

Week 4

“My dear brothers and sisters, always be willing to listen and slow to speak. Do not become angry easily, because anger will not help you live the right kind of life God wants.” James 1:19-20.

Week 5

“So when you offer your gift to God at the altar, and you remember that your brother or sister has something against you, ²⁴leave your gift there at the altar. Go and make peace with that person, and then come and offer your gift.” Matthew 5; 23-24

Week 6

“Always be joyful. Pray continually, and give thanks whatever happens. That is what God wants for you in Christ Jesus.” I Thessalonians 5:16-18.

Week 7

“The Lord is slow to anger and filled with unfailing love, forgiving every kind of sin and rebellion. But he does not excuse the guilty. He lays the sins of the parents upon their children; the entire family is affected—even children in the **third and fourth generations.**” (Emphasis mine) Numbers 14: 18 (ESV)

Week 8

“You made my whole being; you formed me in my mother’s body. I praise you because you made me in an amazing and wonderful way. What you have done is wonderful. I know this very well.” Psalm 139:13-14

Week 9

“Jesus looked at them and said, “For people this is impossible, but for God all things are possible.” Matthew 19:26

Week 10

“So these three things continue forever: faith, hope, and love. And the greatest of these is love” I Corinthians 13:13

Week 11

“In Christ’s family there can be no division into Jew and non-Jew, slave and free, male and female. Among us you are all equal. That is, we are all in a common relationship with Jesus Christ”. Galatians 3: 28 (The Message)

Week 12

“Do not speak strong words to a man who laughs at the truth, or he will hate you. Speak strong words to a wise man, and he will love you. Give teaching to a wise man and he will be even wiser. Teach a man who is right and good, and he will grow in learning” Proverbs 9:8-9. (NLT)

Week 13

“Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger, but bring them up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord.” Ephesians 6:4 (ESV)

Week 14

“The human heart is the most deceitful of all things, and desperately wicked. Who really knows how bad it is? But I, the LORD, search all hearts and examine secret motives” Jeremiah 17: 9-10a (NLT)

Week 15

“As a tree produces fruit, wisdom gives life to those who use it, and everyone who uses it will be happy.” Proverbs 3:18

Week 16

“Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger; but bring them up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord” Ephesians 6:4 (ESV)

Week 17

“Husbands, love your wives, just as Christ also loved the church and gave Himself up for her...In the same way, husbands should love their wives as they love their own bodies. The man who loves his wife loves himself. ²⁹No one ever hates his own body, but feeds and takes care of it...” Ephesians 5: 25, 28-29.

Week 18

“Peace of mind means a healthy body, but jealousy will rot your bones.” Proverbs 14:30.

“Anger is cruel and destroys like a flood, but no one can put up with jealousy!” Proverbs 27:4.

Week 19

“It is **foolish** to follow your own opinions. Be safe, and follow the teachings of wiser people.” Proverbs 28:26 (GNT)

Week 20

“Do your best to live in peace with everyone.... Do not let evil defeat you, but defeat evil by doing good.” Romans 12: 18, 21

Week 21

“If you talk a lot, you are sure to sin; if you are wise, you will keep quiet.” Proverbs 10:19

Week 22

“As water reflects your face, so your mind shows what kind of person you are.” Proverbs 27:19

Week 23

“Train up a child in the way he should go [and in keeping with his individual gift or bent], and when he is old he will not depart from it.” Proverbs 22:6 (AMP)

Week 24

“So God created human beings in his image. In the image of God he created them. He created them male and female.” Genesis 1:27

Week 25

“...Knowledge puffs you up with pride, but love builds up.” I Corinthians 8:1b

Week 26

“No one can serve two masters...You cannot serve both God and worldly riches.” Matthew 6:24

Week 27

“...Teach them to your children, and talk about them when you sit at home and walk along the road, when you lie down and when you get up...” Deuteronomy 6: 7

Week 28

“I go to bed and sleep in peace because LORD, only you keep me safe.” Psalm 4:8.

Week 29

“**Be** careful what you think, because your thoughts run your life.” Proverbs 4:23

Week 30

“When I was a child, I talked like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became a man, I stopped those childish ways.” I Corinthians 13:11

Week 31

“... Do not be shaped by this world; instead be changed within by a new way of thinking....” (Rom 12:2b)

Week 32

Then he added, “Pay close **attention** to what you hear. The closer you listen, the more understanding you will be given — and you will receive even more” (emphasis mine) Mark 4:24. (NLT)

Week 33

“Jesus looked at them and said, “For people this is impossible, but for God all things are possible.” Matthew 19:26

Week 34

“Give all your cares to the Lord and He will give you strength. He will never let those who are right with Him be shaken.” Psalm 55:22. (NLV)

Week 35

“Come to me, all of you who are tired and have heavy loads, and I will give you rest.” Matthew 11:28

Week 36

“Fathers, do not make your children angry, but raise them with the training and teaching of the Lord.” Ephesians 6:4

Week 37

“LORD, have mercy, because I am in misery. My eyes are weak from so much crying, and my whole being is tired from grief.” Psalm 31:9.

Week 38

“The nights of crying your eyes out give way to days of laughter” Psalm 30:8b (The Message)

Week 39

“Listen to my teaching, and you will be wise; do not ignore it.” Proverbs 8:33.

Week 40

“When I was a child, I talked like a child, I thought like a child, I reasoned like a child. When I became a man, I stopped those childish ways.” I Corinthians 13:11.

Week 41

“Pride leads only to shame; it is wise to be humble.” Proverbs 11: 2.

Week 42

“Be kind and loving to each other, and forgive each other just as God forgave you in Christ.” Ephesians 4:32.

Week 43

“Foolish people are always fighting, but avoiding quarrels will bring you honor.” Proverbs 20:3

Week 44

“Don’t judge others, and you will not be judged. Don’t accuse others of being guilty, and you will not be accused of being guilty. Forgive, and you will be forgiven.” Luke 6:37.

Week 45

“LORD, try me and test me; look closely into my heart and mind.”—Psalm 26:2

Week 46

“So let us try to do what makes peace and helps one another.” Romans 14:19

Week 47

“When you do things, do not let selfishness or pride be your guide. Instead, be humble and give more honor to others than to yourselves. Do not be interested only in your own life, but be interested in the lives of others.” Philippians 2:3-4

Week 48

“Let people finish speaking before you try to answer them. That way you will not embarrass yourself and look foolish.” Proverbs 18:13 (ESV)

Week 49

“Summing up: Be agreeable, be sympathetic, be loving, be compassionate, be humble. That goes for all of you, no exceptions. No retaliation. No sharp-tongued sarcasm. Instead, bless—that’s your job, to bless. You’ll be a blessing and also get a blessing.” I Peter 3:8-9a (The Message)

Week 50

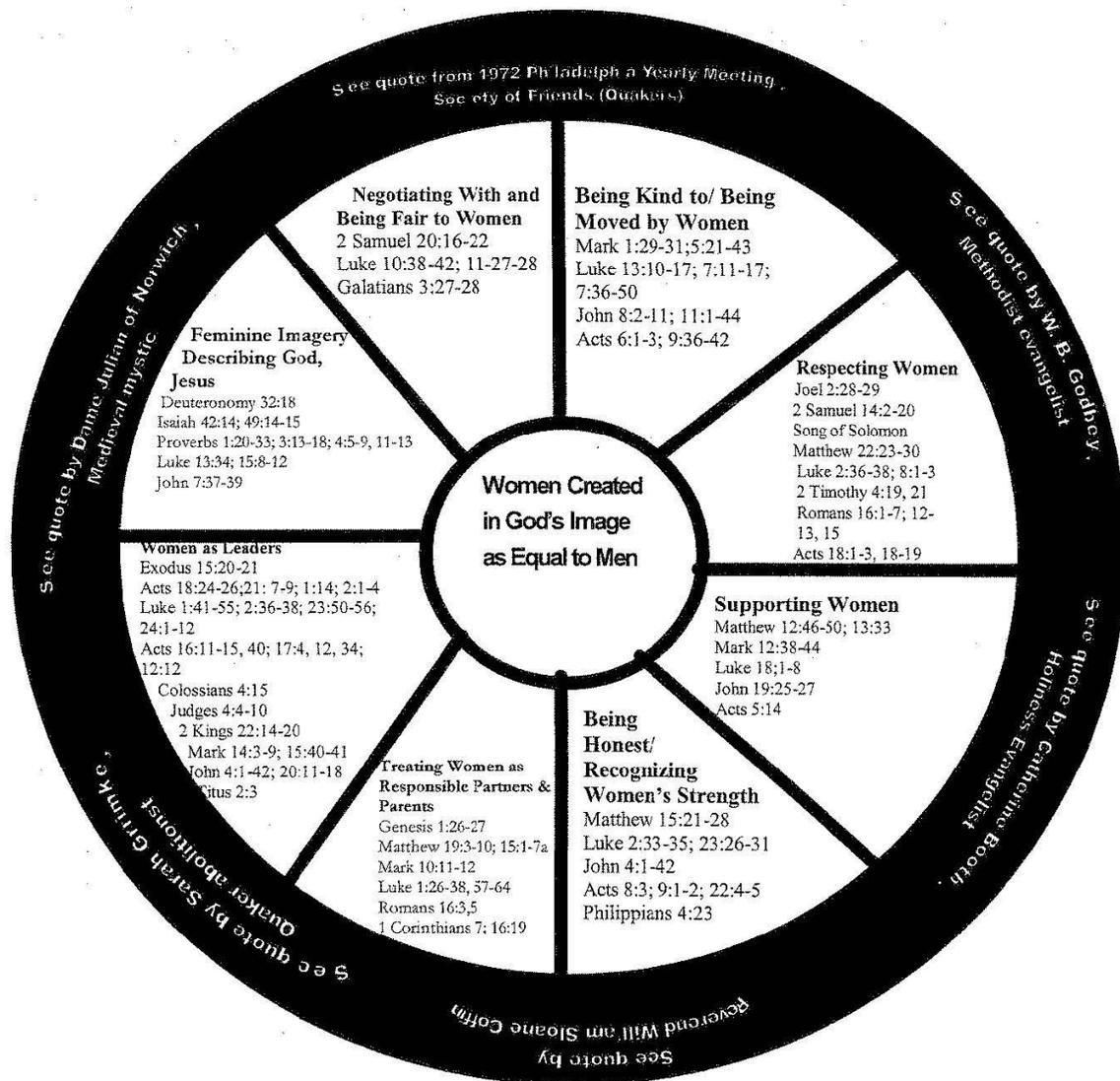
“The master answered, ‘You did well. You are a good and loyal servant. Because you were loyal with small things, I will let you care for much greater things. Come and share my joy with me.’” Matthew 25: 23.

Week 51

“Whoever gives to others will get richer; those who help others will themselves be helped.” Proverbs 11:25

Week 52

“Forgive us the wrongs we have done, as we forgive the wrongs that others have done to us...” Matthew 6:12. (GNT)



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