

Acceptable Sins

Gravity: *Breaking Free From the Weight of Sin*

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Questions for Personal Reflection and Group Discussion

1. Read Proverbs 6:16-19.

What seven things does the writer of this proverb identify as being things that God hates? What stands out to you about the things on this list?

2. Read Galatians 5:19-21.

What attitudes and behaviors does Paul say will mark the life of someone who follows their sinful nature rather than surrendering to God?

What things on this list might you overlook or excuse in your own life?

3. Read Ezekiel 16:49.

What does Ezekiel say that Sodom's sins were? How are these sins different from what you would expect?

How does God's view of sin challenge your own attitudes or perspectives about sin?

In what areas of your life are you more complacent about sin?

4. Read Luke 18:9-14.

Who are the two people in the parable? And what is the difference between them?

Which of the people in this story do you think concerned Jesus more?

Which of them do you most identify with and why?

5. Read 1 Samuel 12:23.

Samuel identifies prayerlessness as a sin. In what ways would a lack of prayerfulness be a sin against God?

6. Read Matthew 12:34.

What is the link between the things that are hidden in our hearts and the words we speak?

What does this tell you about the impact of your thought life?

7. Read Hebrews 12:15.

Consider the ways you think about, speak to, or act toward others – both people you know and those you don't. What might your attitudes and behaviors reveal about places in your heart where bitterness lives, and what do you need to do about it?

8. Read Romans 12:19.

Who is responsible for exacting justice when we have been hurt?

Why do you think that responsibility isn't entrusted to us?

9. Read Philippians 4:6-7.

What instructions does Paul give in this passage?

Is there anything for which we should make an exception? Any situation where we should respond in a different way?

How would responding to all of life's circumstances in this way make a difference in your life?

10. Read 1 Timothy 6:17.

What is the problem with putting our trust in money?

What things do you count on for security in your life? What if you woke up tomorrow and they were gone? Where does your trust truly lie?

Where in your life have you become comfortable with 'acceptable' sin? What are you excusing that you need to surrender to God?