

Small Group Questions, February 19, 2017

Sermon Topic: Jesus Goggles, part 1 -- Guilt vs. Grace

Synopsis: This Sunday we begin a new series that tries to see the world through Jesus' eyes. We will be contrasting two different competing ideas each week, one showing our normal way of looking at the world, and the other showing Jesus' way to looking at our lives. This week we will contrast guilt and grace, with special emphasis on why holding on to grace is bad for us.

Key passages:

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| Genesis 3:80-10 | James 2:10-11 |
| 1 John 3:19-24 | Psalm 69:5 |
| Romans 8:33 | Titus 2:14 |
| Hebrews 9:14 | Hebrews 10:22 |

Group leaders, remember, it's not necessary to ask every question. Feel free to modify this list by taking out questions that don't speak to you or adding your own questions.

1. In James 2:10-11, James tells us if we break one part of God's law we're guilty of all of it. Think about that and share what that means to you.
2. In 1 John 3:19-24 John says that God is "greater than our hearts." What does that mean in the context of dealing with our guilt?
3. Discuss what some of the positive aspects of guilt are, as well as some of the negative effects of guilt in our lives.
4. Hebrews 9:14 and 10:22 talks about how God cleanses our guilty conscience. If that's so, why do we still feel guilty?