



**CORNERSTONE  
COMMUNITY  
CHURCH**

## **Digging Deeper Sermon Review: November 21, 2021**

### **Group check-in**

Open with prayer and follow up from the previous meeting. Feel free to utilize the following if they are helpful:

- check in on prayer requests, evidences of grace, and things to be grateful for

Where is everyone at spiritually this week?

- What has been hard?
- Where is sin alluring/tempting?
- Where is God at work?
- Where has God been good to you this past week?
- Who are the unbelievers you are praying for?
- Any gospel opportunities in the past week?

### **Dig Deeper Into the Sermon: One Forgiveness (Ephesians 4:30-32)**

Have someone read last Sunday's passage. Consider working through some of the following questions as a group:

- Paul Tripp wrote that the church is messy, "but it is God's wonderful mess." Have you experienced messiness in the church? How have you seen God move in the mess?
- C.S. Lewis wrote: "Everyone thinks forgiveness is a lovely idea until he has something to forgive." What's your response to the quote? Have you ever found yourself changing your view of forgiveness once you are sinned against?

- In what way(s) are you tempted to get revenge when sinned against (bitterness, wrath, anger, clamor, slander, malice)? Have you given into the temptation lately?
  - Am I a bitter person? What should I put on instead?
  - Is there someone in my life whom I refuse to extend forgiveness?
    - Am I holding any grudges? What should I put on instead?
  - Do I get angry when I'm sinned against? What should I put on instead?
  - Does that anger ever boil over in rage? What should I put on instead?
  - Do I make a lot of noise when I'm sinned against? What should I put on instead?
  - Am I a slanderer?
    - Do I talk to others about those who've sinned against me with the intent to do them harm? What should I put on instead?
  - Is there anyone in my life that I wish would suffer in the way they've caused me to suffer? What should I put on instead?
- How do I apply what Jeremiah 31:34 says about God's forgiveness to my own forgiveness?
- How do I apply what Psalm 103:12 says about God's forgiveness to my own forgiveness?
- How do I apply what Micah 7:19 says about God's forgiveness to my own forgiveness?
- Read Matthew 18:21-35. How is this a picture of the gospel? How does the gospel empower us to forgive?
- Is there anyone who you have not forgiven or who you know has something against you? How can the group help you move toward reconciliation in the relationship?

### **Wrapping up with Prayer**

Consider ways in which you can pray for one another in light of the direction the Spirit has led your discussion time.