

[SERMON NOTES]

[QUICK REVIEW]

Looking at your notes from this week's teaching, was there anything you heard for the first time or something that caught your attention, challenged, or confused you?

[MY STORY]

What did you enjoy the most about summer as a kid?

What are you looking forward to doing this fall?

[DIGGING DEEPER]

Sometimes as Christians we think that sin is no longer a big deal because we are already forgiven! ***Read Galatians 6:7-10 and then answer how that passage helps us avoid such strange thinking!***

Have you ever heard of the phrase “cheap grace”? If so, what is the context it gets used? If not, what might you think that means?

Do you ever find yourself ‘weary of doing good’? If so, explain.

Sin is a big deal - there’s no question about it! The Bible gives us a number of guidelines for dealing with sin in our own lives and the lives of those around us. ***Read the following passages and then answer when/how we are supposed to ‘get involved’ in the spiritual lives of others.***

Matthew 18:15; Matthew 5:23-24; Galatians 6:1-5

Why do you think, as Christians, we tend to avoid approaching others about their living?

Looking back at the verses above, which one is potentially most helpful in regards to our motives and actions when dealing with our sin and sin in others?

What would you say is needed for helpful accountability in our spiritual growth?

When was the last time you had someone speak into your life and faith? What was it about and how did that go?

Do you have anyone in your life who provides helpful accountability in your faith, decisions, and spiritual disciplines? If so, who is it? If not, why do you think that is?

[WEEKLY READINGS]

Studies say that someone who reads their Bible 4 times or more a week improves their joy, happiness, contentment, and overall approval of their life. (1 Tim. 4:8-10,16; 2 Tim. 3:16-17). Below are 4 passages of Scripture this week to dive into to pull deeper on our weekend’s message. We encourage you to take notes in your Bible, and ask yourself: *What does this teach me about God? Myself and others? And how do I follow Jesus better?*

Galatians 1-2

Galatians 3-4

Galatians 5-6

Matthew 5 & 18