



Life Group Discussion Guide

August 25 – 2 Corinthians 2 – How to Forgive

Icebreaker:

What is the smallest or silliest thing for which you've apologized or asked for forgiveness?

Discussion Questions:

1. Read **2 Corinthians 2:5-11**. Randy pointed out three commands Paul gave to the Corinthians in 2 Corinthians 2:7-8: forgive him, comfort him, and reaffirm your love for him.
2. What is different about following up forgiveness with comfort the other person and reaffirming love?
3. Is there someone in your life you need to forgive? Is there someone need to comfort and reaffirm your love for?
4. Randy gave a rewording **2 Corinthians 5:11**, "For to fail to forgive is to be outwitted by Satan...for his schemes utilize unforgiveness."
 - a. How is unforgiveness an opportunity or foothold for Satan? (see Ephesians 4:27)
5. The sermon focused on four mental processes for How to Forgive. **Read Genesis 50:15-21**.
6. **(Genesis 50:19)** The first mental process of forgiveness is remembering that their sin is against God. It is God's place to give justice.
 - a. Do you find yourself trying to take God's place and seeking justice when you are unable to forgive?
 - b. How does leaving letting go of the justice that belongs to God help us to forgive?
 - c. **Read Romans 12:17-21**. What does this passage instruct us to do? What does it say about God?
7. **(Genesis 50:19)** The second mental process of forgiveness is remembering that I, too, am just a forgiven sinner.
 - a. Take a minute or two in silence to remember how much God has forgiven you.
 - b. (Optional: invite people to share a story of God's forgiveness if they are willing.)

8. **(Genesis 50:20)** The third mental process of forgiveness is to Recognize evil for what it is. It is okay to confront.
- What is hard about confrontation?
 - Randy said that truth is the base chemical for the Christian life. Why is it important to always keep truth involved?
 - What happens if we don't confront evil?
9. **(Genesis 50:20)** The fourth mental process is to Trust that God will use this and redeem whatever sin would destroy.
- When we withhold forgiveness how does it affect God's work of redeeming sin?

What's Happening in the Life of Legacy:

More details on these events can be found at lcc.org/whats-happening

All Campus

- **Shepherding Elder Ordination:** September 8, 4:00 – 5:00 pm at the Overland Park Campus.
- **Fall Volleyball:** Beginning September 9, 6:30 – 9:30 pm game time. Cost \$10.
- **Legacy Moms:** Beginning September 10, 9:15 – 10:45 am.

Overland Park Campus

- **Women's Line Dancing & Chili:** September 13, 6:00 – 9:00 pm.
- **Financial Peace University:** Beginning September 29. 9:00 am or 6:00 pm. Cost \$80.

Lee's Summit Campus

- **Life Group Tailgate:** August 26 at 6:30 pm.
- **Men's BBQ Tour:** September 5 at 11:30 am. Filling Station BBQ.

Olathe Campus

- **Men's Retreat:** September 13 at 6:00 pm to September 14. Cost \$10.
- **Women's Bible Study:** Revelation by Jen Wilkin. **Tuesdays:** Beginning September 3, 6:30 – 8:30 pm.
Wednesdays: Beginning September 4, 9:00 – 11:00 am.

Blue Valley Campus

- **Women's Bible Study Training:** September 7 at 9:30 am.
- **Grief Share:** beginning September 10, 6:30 – 8:30 pm at the Blue Valley Campus. Cost \$10.

Hispanic Ministry Campus

- **Food in the Park: A Celebration of Hispanic Heritage:** September 15
- **Life Group Evangelistic Training:** September 11 and 18

Local Serving Opportunities to Share with Your Group:

These are the serving requests we have received over the past few weeks!

Firm Foundations Prison Ministry – For more info, contact Matt at matt@firmfoundationsministries.org.

- *We need your help!* Volunteer around our properties, outfit men with starter clothes, mentor men or women, and more!