



DISCUSSION GUIDE

sunday school module four

MODULE 4: FALL:BROKEN

DISCOVER (PRE-WORK)

Review pgs. 3-5 in this month's Sunday School resource packet.
(found here: www.doxa-church.com/sundayschool)

NURTURE

In light of this month's Sunday School module, consider the following questions together for the sake of deeper understanding and accountability.

1. Sin is the failure to live as God created humans to live; which includes actions, thoughts, motives and desires. This sentence has to be put in the context of creation and the intent for which God made humans. In other words, sin is not just failing God but failing to live how he created us to be. Is this similar to how you've thought about sin in the past or different? If different, how?
2. If sin is essentially derivative and can only exist as a perversion of something good, how can we see God's good intention when we are tempted to sin. In other words, can we think about pursuing God's good intention, instead of just thinking about avoiding sin? What would this look like?
3. Paul writes in Romans 5 that the decision Eve and Adam made in the garden had a ripple effect that has impacted each of us. How would you describe the way this has played out? How would you describe the effects of original sin to a nonChristian in a way that makes intuitive sense?

4. Our sin cannot ultimately separate us from the love of God, since he showed his ultimate love long before we had done anything good or bad. Why does this matter?
5. Even though our sin cannot make God love us less and our obedience can't make him love us more, what effect does it have on our lives?

ACT

Consider how you will live out these ideas this week.

1. What might be some implications of our shift in the definition for sin? How might it make you think about your decisions differently this week?
2. Think about a particular temptation that you will face this week. Instead of just trying to avoid that sin, how can you work to pursue God's good intention?
3. This week, try to recognize the compounding and networking effects of sin, pay attention to the way people multiply the effects of it and then try to step in and break the chain.
4. Take some time this week to meditate on the truth of God's unconditional love and try to think of 25 implications of it.
5. Similarly, think of a sin that you regularly fail in and write down a list of consequences that have or reasonably could play out as a result of it. Share the list with the group.