

SERMON-BASED LIFE GROUP DISCUSSION GUIDE

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GETTING STARTED: (Chose 1 or 2 of these);

- 1) What is the best apology you have ever heard (or given)?
- 2) Is it ever wrong to accept an apology? Or wrong to reject an apology?
- 3) An old movie line said: "Love means never having to say "you're sorry." Agree/Disagree?

MESSAGE BIG IDEA: 6 Words that can change your life - Sorry

MAIN SCRIPTURE: Act 2:36-41

(Have a group member read)

DISCUSSION

- 1) What are some attitudes that hinder us from saying "sorry"?
- 2) What is the correlation and or differences between being sorry and repentant?
- 3) Why is it important to clearly identify what we are sorry for? To whom is it important?
- 4) Have you ever been cut to the heart by God or someone you've hurt? How did it feel and what was your response?

DIG DEEPER (Other scriptures?)

- 1) Read Matthew 5:23-24. Why is it important to God that you apologize and ask forgiveness from one you have sinned against?
- 2) Should we wait for others to say they're sorry to forgive them? Why or why not?
- 3) Read Psalms 51:1-17. How is King David's response to God reflective of genuine repentance as opposed to just "going through the motions"?

BRING IT HOME

- 1) How does the participation in communion put our relationship with God in perspective?
- 2) If God already knows what we have done and already knows that we feel bad about it, why is it important to actually tell Him we are sorry?

ASK FOR GOD'S HELP

- 1) Read Psalms 139:23-24 and personalize it.
- 2) ... to recognize when I have harmed or offended others and the fortitude to ask for and or seek both forgiveness and repentance.