



Small Group MEMBER; Sermon Guide
April 22,23, 2017, Pastor Jamie Rasmussen
Forgiveness Received | John 13:1-11

GETTING TO KNOW ME My Problems in The Speed of Life

- What life issues are you contending with most right now?.; (e.g. personal, financial, relational, health ? etc.)
- What's the one thing you would most like to have resolved in your personal life?

POST-FORGIVENESS SINNING: (Paul's problem, your problem?)

Rom. 7: 18-20 (ESV) For I know that nothing good dwells in me, that is, in my flesh. For I have the desire to do what is right, but not the ability to carry it out. ¹⁹ For I do not do the good I want, but the evil I do not want is what I keep on doing. ²⁰ Now if I do what I do not want, it is no longer I who do it, but sin that dwells within me.

- Pastor Jamie asked us all to raise our hands if we related to Pauls problem.
- What's the one thing you would most like to have resolved in your spiritual life?

4 Personal responses people try that they buy from the "Do It Yourself Shop" to eliminate Post-Forgiveness Sins.

-Which have you tried?

1. Grovel in Guilt and Shame - Trusting your sincere remorse will solve the problem
 2. Engage in acts of penance - Doing good things to cover my sin
 3. Promise to never do it again -Knowing past performance is a predictor of future behavior
 4. Disengage from God -Take a time-out from trying to do right by God
- (Or other things you try:)_____

Main Point: *The simple profound truth: Jesus came to **FORGIVE** us of our sin in order to **BRING us to GOD**.*

INTO THE BIBLE

(ESV) 1 John 1:9If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

- What does Jesus think of your continuing sin?
- What does He want you to do?
- If our own efforts to eliminate our continuing sins are failing after Jesus has forgiven us, what recourse is left?

(ESVS) John 13:10 Jesus said to him, "The one who has bathed does not need to wash, except for his feet,^[a] but is completely clean. And you^[b] are clean, but not every one of you."¹¹ For he knew who was to betray him; that was why he said, "Not all of you are clean."

- Which of your sins (past-present-future) did Jesus NOT die for?
- Since He died for ALL of your sins, then even the ones you continue to do are forgiven.
You have been washed clean,(unless, like Judas, you are not truly a believer.)

APPLICATION:

Take 2 Minutes of silence. Listen to the Holy Spirit in you and write down a few things you need to bring to Jesus to be forgiven for.

Now pick just one thing (It's your "Nudge" - the one thing you'll do that both you and God knows is you putting your faith into action through asking for forgiveness.)

Share your "Nudge" with your group, (The topic alone is fine, or your option as to how much detail you include.)

Each week the group shares how they did the previous week with their "Nudge."

PRAYER

First pray for the commitments("Nudge"s) the group has made to put their faith into action around this week's topic of Forgiveness Received: How your issues can be a Beautiful Mess & not just a mess.

Then prayers for other needs in the group.(To allow beauty to reign in their mess)