

TRUTH

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WEEK 6: THE TRUTH ABOUT SIN

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WHAT WE BELIEVE AND WHY IT MATTERS

KEY SCRIPTURES

Genesis 3:6 When the woman saw that the fruit of the tree was good for food and pleasing to the eye, and also desirable for gaining wisdom, she took some and ate it. She also gave some to her husband, who was with her, and he ate it.

Romans 5:12 Therefore, just as sin entered the world through one man, and death through sin, and in this way death came to all people, because all sinned.

Romans 3:10 “There is no one righteous, not even one.”

Ephesians 2:1 As for you, you were dead in your transgressions and sins.

Ephesians 2:4 But because of his great love for us, God, who is rich in mercy, made us alive with Christ even when we were dead in transgressions—it is by grace you have been saved.

Romans 5:19 For just as through the disobedience of the one man the many were made sinners, so also through the obedience of the one man the many will be made righteous.

Romans 8:1 There is therefore now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus.

READ & REFLECT on the above Scriptures using the questions below:

- What do you notice about God in these passages?
- What does this teach us about “truth?”
- Is there a word, phrase, or verse that stood out to you? Why?
- How do these verses challenge or encourage you right now?

SERMON QUESTIONS

1. Pastor Dave said that Jesus talked about sin often because we can’t appreciate the good news until we understand the bad news. Why do you think it’s uncomfortable but necessary to face the reality of sin in our own lives?
2. What is sin? How does it affect our lives and the world we live in? The three biblical words for sin: missing the mark, trespassing, and disrespecting God. Which of those definitions helps you better understand sin, and why?

3. “Total depravity” means that sin touches every part of us—our thoughts, motives, and desires. Read Ephesians 2:1–5. How does understanding this change the way you view human nature and your own need for grace?

4. Pastor Dave encouraged us to live a life of humility and confession. What barriers or hesitations do you face when it comes to regularly confessing your sins? How might this practice change your relationship with God?

5. Only God can bring people from death to life. How does remembering that truth change the way you pray for and engage with people who seem far from God?

RESET

What is one specific way you can “take out the garbage” this week—through confession, humility, or extending grace to someone—as a response to God’s saving work in your life?

CLOSING PRAYER

- **Thank God** for His grace and forgiveness.
- **Invite group to pray** for courage and humility to confess and overcome sin this week.
- **Ask God** to help your group walk in freedom and accountability.