

Discovery Service Order and Message Outline



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Thank you for saving me

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BIBLE READING 1 John 1:1-10 (Church Bible page 1277)
MESSAGE Taught by Pastor Phill
SINGING TOGETHER In Christ alone



Restored ~2 How God deals with our guilt. 1 John 1:1-10

'The person who keeps every law of God but makes one little slip is just as guilty as the person who has broken every law there is.'
James 2:10 LB

1. What is _____?

'My guilt has overwhelmed me like a burden too heavy to bear.'
Psalm 38:4 NIV

Guilt is a _____ light.

There is _____ guilt.

There is _____ guilt.

'You began your life in Christ by the Spirit. Now are you trying to make it complete by your own power? That is foolish.' Galatians 3:3 NCV

Three tests:

1. Is the focus on _____ or on _____.

2. Is it _____ or _____.

3. Is it _____ or _____.

2. Our ways of _____ guilt.

'They sewed fig leaves together and made something to cover themselves... they hid from the Lord God... "I was afraid because I was naked"... "She gave me some fruit from the tree, so I ate it."'
Genesis 3:7-12 NCV

We respond with:

1. _____.
2. _____.
3. _____.

3. God's way of handling guilt: _____.

'If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness.' 1 John 1:9 NIV

1. Confess your _____.

You tell _____.

'God you know what I have done wrong. I cannot hide my guilt from You.'
Psalm 69:5 NCV

Tell a trusted _____.

'Confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so God can heal you.' James 5:16 NCV

2. Trust God's _____.

'Let us come near to God with a sincere heart and a sure faith, because we have been made free from a guilty conscience.' Hebrews 10:22 NCV

3. Accept God's _____.

'People who believe in God's Son are not judged guilty.' John 3:18 NCV

'I finally admitted all my sins to You and stopped trying to hide them. I said to myself, 'I will confess them to the Lord.' And You forgave me. All my guilt is gone.' Psalm 32:5 LB



1. How does David describe the effect of guilt on him in Psalm 38:4?
 - How does picturing guilt as a warning light help us understand how God wants us to respond to guilt?
2. We can tell the difference between genuine guilt and false guilt by our focus.
 - Discuss events, behaviours, and experiences that might cause false guilt.
 - Discuss events, behaviours, and experiences that should cause genuine guilt.
 - How does God describe people's efforts to deal with their guilt rather than by God's Spirit in Galatians 3:3?
 - Why do people try to deal with their own guilt rather than come to God for forgiveness?
3. What are three ways that Adam and Eve used to deal with their guilt in Genesis 3:7–12?
 - How does feeling shame (feeling bad about what we've done) not work in dealing with our guilt?
 - How does trying to hide what we've done not work in dealing with our guilt?
 - How does blaming something or someone else not work in dealing with our guilt?
4. What does 1 John 1:9 promise God will do when we confess our sins?
5. What does Psalm 69:5 tell us God knows?
 - Since God already knows what we've done, why does he ask us to confess?
 - Why is 'agreeing with God' about our sin an important part of confession?
6. How does Hebrews 10:22 tell us to approach God?
 - How does remembering that he is 'faithful and just' encourage us to trust God with our sin?
 - How does God's grace help us become the person he wants us to be?
7. According to John 3:18, what promise is made to those who trust Christ?
 - Why is it difficult for some people to accept the complete cleansing that God promises?
 - How does understanding God's grace help us to accept his forgiveness?

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