SMALL GROUP GUIDE

WORSHIP

Uncharted Sin in the Camp | Joshua 7

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4 keys to spiritual victory:

- 1. Put your confidence in God, not in yourself.
- 2. Pray as a first step, not a last resort.
- 3. Expose your sin to God-before God exposes you.
- 4. Sin always affects other people.

DEFEAT DOESN'T HAVE TO DEFINE YOU.

NEXT WEEK: Uncharted: Joshua 8



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1. WELCOME

If anyone has had a significant event in their life this past week, give them a minute to share with the group. If necessary, take some time to pray for any immediate needs right at the beginning of the meeting.

2. VISION/PURPOSE

If you are wanting to call Trinity home, or even if you have been for awhile, we encourage you to attend a Next Steps class to find out more about who we are and about what your next steps in faith might be. Our next class is this Saturday, Oct 31, 8:30-11:30. Sign up @ bit.ly/TBCnextsteps 3. SMALL GROUP GUIDELINES

Review guidelines (Use "I" Statements, No Fixing, Confidentiality, Listening) that cultivate a healthy environment for sharing and discussion.

4. OPENING PRAYER

5. READ SCRIPTURE PASSAGE/TELL BIBLE STORY PASSAGE **6. DISCUSSION QUESTIONS**

Use a good mix of Head (informational/study) questions, Heart (personal reflection) questions, and Hand (practical application) questions. Below are questions your group can pick from to follow along with the sermon series. **7. PERSONAL SHARING AND PRAYER REQUESTS**

You can share and pray in one group, in smaller groups, or in gender specific groups. Make sure that phone numbers are shared so that encouragement and connection can happen during the week.

OUESTIONS

WARM UP: Have each group member write down a "hidden" fact about themselves that others don't know. Online groups, have each group member text this fact to the leader. Read each hidden fact and have the group guess who wrote it. The person with the most correct guesses wins. [Today we are looking at how a man's hidden sin was discovered and how that brought defeat to God's people.]

HEAD: These questions help us examine the Word.

1. Read Joshua 7:1-26. What stands out to you from the sermon or from your own study?

What's wrong with the concept of "hidden" sin?
This story shows how even "hidden" sin affects other people. According to Galatians 6:1 and Hebrews 12:15, what is our role when we see someone falling into sin?

HEART: These questions help us wrestle with what we believe.

Give your group members 15 minutes to spread out through the house and to read Psalm 32 and pray to God. Encourage them to journal any thoughts if they want as well. At the end of 15 minutes, split off into men and women's groups for heart auestions.

4. Is there anything hidden that you brought into the light? And is there anyone that would like to share that with the rest of the group? [If anyone does share, encourage them with Psalm 32:5]

5. If you were to fall into sin, is there anyone who knows you well enough to recog-nize it? If not, what would it take for you to have those kinds of relationships?

HAND: These questions help us bring truth and beliefs into our everyday life. 6. Have you ever been restored or had to restore someone else (Gál 6:1)? What did that look like?regard to helping in His world-wide mission? How will you decide what God wants you to do? What will it take to get you started down that path?

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