

## Week 5- "Navigating The Thorns Of Sin"

In this series we are asking the questions: Why do we not change sometimes? Why as Christians do we have a hard time growing and bearing the fruit that comes from the Gospel? We are discovering that all of us have weeds and thorns that get stuck in our hearts that are choking out the seed of the Gospel and the life and fruit in it. In this week's message, we discover another thorn that gets stuck in our hearts that hinders the Gospel from bearing fruit in our lives.

1. What stood out to you from the message?

## Read Ephesians 2:1-9

- 2. How would you answer the question: what is sin?
- 3. In what ways have you tried to solve your sin nature on your own?
- 4. Have you gotten to a place where you can admit that you are powerless over sin?
- 5. What does it say about God's heart for you that he provided a solution for your sin through Jesus' death and resurrection?
- 6. What does it practically mean to surrender?
- 7. Are you willing to surrender to God? Why or why not?
- 8. How can this group help you grow in your understanding of God's grace and love so that you can live surrendered?

God loved us so much that he offered us His grace, freedom, and life and a real solution to the problem of sin in our lives. We navigate the thorns of sin in our lives by surrendering to the one who took all of our sin on Himself and destroyed it on the cross.