

# Main Street Church - Life Group Guide

**Series:** Make Me An Offering

**Message:** Part 5 - How Do I Make Things Right?

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## Connect (25min)

### 1. THEMES OF THANKSGIVING

- Read [1 Thessalonians 5:16-18](#).
- Share 1 thing you're thankful for in each of these themes:
  - a. God's Creation
  - b. Relationship with God
  - c. Family & Friends
  - d. Work & Service
  - d. Battles
  - e. Blessings

### 2. TAKE 5

- In response to your sharing - take 5 minutes to open your discussion time with prayers of *Thanksgiving!*

## Message Discussion (50min)

### 1. Understanding the Guilt Offering

Read [Leviticus 5:14-6:7](#) - which describes confession and restitution.

➡ *Why do you think God required repayment plus 20%?*

➡ *What does that reveal about His heart for justice, restoration, and community?*

### 2. Sorry vs. Repentant

Read [2 Corinthians 7:10](#) - which describes the difference between godly and worldly sorrow.

Pastor Shawn talked about the difference between being *sorry you got caught* and *sorry for what you did*.

➡ *When have you struggled with that difference?*

➡ *What helps move you from guilt to genuine repentance?*

### 3. Forgiveness That Flows

Read [Matthew 5:23-24](#) and [1 John 3:18](#).

"If you wrong someone, don't just say sorry — go make it right with them too."

➡ *Why do we sometimes stop at asking God for forgiveness but avoid making things right with others?*

### 4. Jesus, Our Guilt Offering

Read [Isaiah 53:10](#) - which says the Lord made His life "an offering for guilt."

➡ *How does understanding Jesus as your ultimate Guilt Offering change how you view forgiveness and reconciliation today?*

### 5. Ministry of Reconciliation

Read [2 Corinthians 5:18](#) - which says we have been given "the ministry of reconciliation."

➡ *How is this countercultural?*

➡ *What does being an "ambassador of reconciliation" look like in your daily life— at home, at work, or in your church?*

## 6. Making It Right in Practice

📖 Read [Matthew 18:15–20](#) - which gives a plan for restoring broken relationships.

- ➡ *How might that process look in a modern setting?*
- ➡ *What's hardest about taking the first step toward someone you've hurt—or who has hurt you?*

## 7. Zacchaeus: A Living Example

Zacchaeus' repentance led to visible action (Ref. 📖 [Luke 19:1–10](#)).

- ➡ *Why is restitution (action) such an important part of true repentance?*
- ➡ *Can you think of a time when "showing" sorry mattered more than "saying" sorry?*

## Response & Prayer (15min)

### RESPONSE

- **Living as Reconciled People**

📖 [Micah 6:8](#) says, "People, the LORD has told you what is good, and this is what he requires of you: to do what is right, to love mercy, and to walk humbly with your God."

- ➡ *How does this command challenge and inspire you as you engage your battles and blessings this week?*
- ➡ *How could this impact your family, workplace and community?*

📖 [Romans 12:18](#) says, "If it is possible, as far as it depends on you, live at peace with everyone."

- ➡ *What relationship or situation might God be asking you to take a step toward making right this week?*
- ➡ *How can your group pray for and support you in that?*

### PRAYER

\*Break into groups of 3-4, or men & women, to enhance sharing and prayer participation.

- **Pray for One Another**

- ➡ *In response to our sharing and discussion, how can we pray for you this week?*
- Share & Pray for one another.

- **Pray for Others**

- ➡ *Who is one person in your life that we can pray for?*
- For *salvation, healing, reconciliation* ... Briefly share their needs & then Pray for them.

>> Share announcements and confirm your plans for your next Life Group meeting.

- [Things To Come Conference](#). October 18-19.
- [Missions Sunday](#) and [Prayer Summit](#). October 26.
- [Hearing God Workshop](#). Sunday Mornings, November 2-December 7.
- [Set Free Retreat](#). November 14-15.