



The Minors

THE FORGOTTEN PROPHETS

ONE THING

PURPOSE OF GROUP

Grow: Take next steps in our faith journey.

Invite: Make room for others to grow.

Support: Care and serve one another.

PRAY

CONNECT

- Has there ever been a time in your life where you allowed your sin to grow out of control? If so, how?
- Why do people tend to deny, justify, or hide their sin and brokenness?

READ JOEL 1:1-4, 15. READ JOEL 2:12-14

- What stuck out to you in the sermon/text this week?
- V. 1-4 — What did the different kind of locusts represent? How does this relate to our own sin?
- What tendencies do you use to deflect your sin / how do you tend to deflect sin in your own life?
 - What would it look like to actually own up to that instead?
- The Israelites in Joel's time felt pretty hopeless. How can you relate?
 - Describe a time when you've felt hopeless (like the Israelites).

“TOO OFTEN WE TREAT SYMPTOMS OF OUR SIN INSTEAD OF KILLING OUR SIN”

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

To turn your heart...

1. Own up.
 - What would it look like to own up to your sin? Can you explain what it's looked like for you in the past?
 - What's the hardest thing about owning up to sin...does it deal with pride, laziness, selfishness, etc?
2. Take an effect inventory.
 - How has your sin affected different areas of your life (i.e., marriage, family, work, attitude etc.)?
 - When is the last time you really examined these areas in which sin is more prevalent for you?
3. Allow God's promises to eclipse your past.
 - Think about God's promises. Think about your past mistakes. How have you allowed the promises of God to overshadow your past mistakes?

PRAY

SUGGESTED ACCOUNTABILITY QUESTIONS

TOP THREE

- What has God been teaching/challenging this week through Scripture and prayer?
- When it comes to your relationships, what can we pray for you about?
- Are you holding on to anything you need to confess (*anger, lust, envy, anxiety, jealousy, bitterness*)?