



# ANSWERING YOUR QUESTIONS ABOUT...

# SIN

## The Big Idea:

All of us have sinned. Every one of us. Even when we are trying to live a life that pleases Jesus, we can commit sins of omission or sins of commission, because, though we are on a spiritual journey to become like Jesus, (who was sinless) none of us are there yet. So, what do we do when we sin? God's Word gives us the prescription.

**Open:** Share a time you took a wrong turn or ended up on the wrong road.

## Discussion Questions:

- 1) What spoke to you from this weekend's message?
- 2) How have you seen the effects and/or consequences of sin in your own life or in your family history?
- 3) Kristin talked about the difference between "conviction" and "condemnation". Discuss the difference with your group.
- 4) What thoughts/ideas/images first come to mind when you hear the word "repent?"
- 5) Share a time in your life when you remember making a conscious decision to turn away from something you knew was wrong and you choosing a different way instead.

**Next Steps:** Understand that the conviction of the Holy Spirit is to lead you to repentance...to lead you to move back **toward** God. Our sin leads us away from God and toward destruction. Condemnation brings shame and can even cause us to run further from God. Conviction that leads to repentance causes us to turn and move toward God and reconciliation. If the Holy Spirit is speaking to you or convicting you of a sin, turn away from the sin and toward God.

**Prayer:** Pray for individual needs in the group, and ask God to help you live in the freedom of Romans 8:1. *Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those who are in Christ Jesus, because through Christ Jesus the law of the Spirit who gives life has set you free from the law of sin and death.*

