



WEEK 2 DISCUSSION GUIDE

Taking Responsibility for Our Past

Intro: God's forgiveness moves us to forgive others and take responsibility for the harm we cause. Where is God inviting you to take a next step?

1. Remember God's Mercy

1. **Read:** Matthew 18:21–35.
2. **Observe:** How does the servant's response differ from the king's mercy?
3. **Reflect:** How did the sermon deepen your understanding of forgiving as God has forgiven you?
4. **Apply:** How could remembering God's mercy change your response to someone this week?

2. Move Toward Forgiveness

1. **Read:** Ephesians 4:31–32.
2. **Observe:** What should replace bitterness and anger, and why?
3. **Reflect:** How did the sermon help you understand forgiveness as both a decision and an ongoing process?
4. **Apply:** What step toward forgiveness can you take this week?

3. Own the Harm We Cause

1. **Read:** Numbers 5:5–7.
2. **Observe:** What does God call people to do beyond confessing?
3. **Reflect:** How did the sermon's emphasis on acknowledging the event, pain, and consequences challenge your approach to apologies?
4. **Apply:** Where do you need to apologize or make something right?

Outro: Complete this sentence: "Because of God's grace, this week I will _____."

Prayer: Father, help us forgive as you have forgiven us. Give us courage to own our wrongs and wisdom to make things right. Amen.