

## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

For the week of August 15, 2021

One of the best things you can do after hearing truths from the Word of God is to talk about them with others. Here are some questions to help get the conversation started. (hint: the first couple of questions are meant to “break the ice” and get people talking)

- Do you ever totally offend people without knowing it? Stories, please.
- On a scale of 1-10, how easily are you offended? What's something minor that offends you?
- What is your normal response to people when they are guilty of one of these things?
- Read Luke 17:1. Jesus said that “offenses will come.” Why do you think this is true? What do you think is at the root of most offenses?
- Read Luke 17:1-2. We are to avoid causing offenses. How have you seen believers be offensive (intentionally or unintentionally)?
- Why would Jesus say, “Woe unto him” that causes offenses? What’s the big deal about causing them?
- When someone is offended, what did Jesus command them to do in Luke 17:3?
- Have you seen “rebuke” done in a right way? How about a wrong way? How does Jesus tell them to do it in this verse? What does Paul tell them in Galatians 6:1?
- The last thing Jesus tells them to do is “forgive.” Have you ever had to get over a big offense? What worked for you? How did you do it? See Colossians 3:13 or Ephesians 4:32 for more insight.
- Have you ever been on the side of the offender? What did forgiveness feel like?
- What is your “takeaway” from tonight’s discussion?
- Take some time to pray together.

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