

SERMON APPLICATION GUIDE

Luke 17:1-6

Ice Breaker: What's an evidence of God's grace you've seen this week?

Ice Breaker: Is there anything about the Christian life that feels impossible?

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

1. **Read Luke 17:1-6.**
2. What is the weighty warning that Jesus gives in vs. 1-3a? Why do you think this warning is so severe? Who is this warning directed towards? What should our response be to this warning?
3. What are some common stumbling blocks that we find often in our culture that have caused many of fall into sin?
4. Why does Jesus call us to rebuke or correct a brother or sister who is in sin? What ought you to consider before going someone in rebuke? (Matt. 7:1-5).
5. Why is it difficult to fulfill this command of Scripture? How can you make yourself a person who welcomes correction from others?
6. What is surprising about Jesus' teaching about forgiveness? How does this contrast with our culture?
7. What does it mean to truly forgive someone and what makes forgiveness so difficult?
8. Why can we believe forgiveness is possible? What does Jesus teach that helps us to believe we can forgive?
9. What truths of the gospel do we need to remember as we walk in forgiveness towards others?
10. What are some ways you can foster church community where brothers and sisters graciously correct and forgive one another? How can you start this in your own home?
11. How can your small group foster the relationships Jesus talks about and help one another watch out for stumbling blocks?