



GOSPEL | COMMUNITY | MISSION

**February 13, 2022**

**Luke 5:12-26**

**“Jesus Cleanses and Forgives”**

## **QUESTIONS**

*(potential discussion/conversation questions to use in your GGs this week)*

1. ICEBREAKER – Tony opened by talking about some of the interesting hygiene habits many people adopted whenever they started working from home. What were some of the interesting work-from-home habits you adopted over the past two years?
2. Luke 5:12-26 addresses two problems when it comes to our sin – we either do not see our need for forgiveness or we think we’ve done too many horrible things to experience forgiveness.
  - o Which of these problems are you more prone to fall into? How does this passage and the truth of the gospel confront these false understandings of sin?
3. In Jesus’ interaction with the man who had leprosy, he not only healed but he also cared for him. Why is this display of Jesus’ authority and compassion important in our understanding of who Christ is?
4. Luke 5 sets a pattern for Jesus’ followers – we are called to extend mercy to all and be quick to forgive.
  - o Who are some of the outcasts among us that we need to extend mercy to? What are some ways we as a group can minister to those who are “untouchable” in our society?
  - o Why is it necessary for us to forgive one another? Are there any areas in your life where you are wrestling with a heart of unforgiveness? How does Jesus’ life and work help us confront our hesitancy to forgive others?
5. This passage encourages us to bring our friends to Jesus through both evangelism and prayer. Who are some of the people in your life that need to be brought to Jesus?
  - o How can the members of our group be praying for these friends? How can we assist one another in sharing the gospel with these friends?
6. In healing the paralytic man, Jesus showed that our greatest need is the forgiveness of our sins. Why is it important for us to remember that our greatest need has been met through Christ?
  - o How does this change our perspective of the difficult things we face?
7. For those who are suffering today, how does this passage provide us with hope?
  - o What are some areas in your life where you have seen evidence of God’s grace in spite of your suffering?
  - o What are some ways we can help bear the sufferings of one another?