

STUDY GUIDE: “Forgiveness”

Discussion Starters

1. Do you believe most Americans think they need forgiveness?
2. On a scale of 1-10 (low to high) how confident are you of being forgiven by God?

Study

This study guide is designed to follow up the sermon “Forgiveness” at NOCC on 8/26/18. If you weren’t in worship at NOCC that Sunday, listen to the sermon on nocc.org or the NOCC app.

3. Do a word study on “forgive” using a concordance and Bible dictionary. What does this teach you about forgiveness?

To complete the next section of the study guide, you will need to use a Bible Dictionary. Remember, the words listed below are from the NASU, but the word you are trying to define is the Greek or Hebrew word translated by the NASU—NOT the English word. If you have any questions about how to use these tools, contact your group leader or one of the pastoral staff.

4. Define the following words or terms. Note for each of them how understanding the meaning and background of that word better helped you understand this passage, and why you think this word was chosen.

--“forgiven” (Psalm 32:1)—

--“impute” (Psalm 32:2)—

--“prosper” (Proverbs 28:13)—

--“confesses” (Proverbs 28:13)—

--“forsakes” (Proverbs 28:13)—

--“confess” (1 John 1:9)—

--“forgive” (1 John 1:9)—

