

STUDY GUIDE: “We Forgive”

Discussion Starters

1. What do you forgive easily?
2. What do you find it difficult to forgive?

Study

This study guide is designed to follow up the sermon “Forgiveness” at NOCC on 10/7/18. If you weren’t in worship at NOCC that Sunday, listen to the sermon on nocc.org or the NOCC app.

3. Read the following passages and note what they say about forgiveness.

Psalm 32:1-7

Psalm 51:1-8

Jonah 3:1-4:2

Matthew 9:2-8

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)

--“covered” (Psalm 32:1)

--“does not impute” (Psalm 32:2)

--“blot out” (Psalm 51:1)

--“wash” (Psalm 51:2)

--“cleanse” (Psalm 51:2)

--“forgive” (Matthew 6:14)

