



**Knox Presbyterian Church
Small Group Discussion Questions
Better Together
Week of November 6th**

Get To Know Each Other

As always, spend some time checking in with the members of your group. Spend some time catching up and welcoming any new faces. You might share a high and a low of the last week.

Read Scripture

Take some time and read the Scriptures for today (Matthew 18.21-35).

- What strikes you about this passage?
- Where does it resonate with you?
- What questions do you have?

Group Discussion Questions

[Link to Sermon](#)

1. This passage contains Jesus' commandment for us to forgive one another. Like many of Jesus' commands, this is easy to say but often difficult for us to do.

- What makes forgiveness hard?
- Pastor Becca clarifies that forgiving is not the same as excusing, forgetting, or reconciling. Do those ideas help clarify what forgiveness really is?

2. We might think of forgiveness as a process with four parts. Take some time and discuss each of the four parts in turn. They are:

1. Asking God to give us the desire to forgive.
2. Separating the one who hurt us from their hurtful actions.
3. Surrendering our right to get even.
4. Wishing that good things might happen to the person who wronged us.

3. Which of these parts of forgiveness speaks most powerfully to you?

- Which seems most difficult?
- Have you known someone who got 'stuck' on one part of that process?

4. Why do we forgive?

- Do we do so simply because God commands us to do so?
- Or do we forgive because it benefits us?
- How is our forgiveness of others connected to God's forgiveness of our sins?

Action

There are three ways we might apply this lesson in our own lives.

- We might make a conscious decision to receive God's forgiveness for our sins.
- We might make a decision to seek forgiveness from someone else we've wronged.
- We might take the next step in our own journey of forgiving another.

Take a moment and reflect on this question.

Closing

Share about this and pray together.