

## TODAY'S VERSES:

2 Corinthians 5:11  
2 Samuel 11:26-27  
Matthew 15:24  
Acts 2:44-47  
Matthew 10:37  
Luke 14:26  
Acts 16:30-34  
Acts 16:14-15  
1 Timothy 5:1-2  
Exodus 3:7-8  
Isaiah 63:16  
1 Corinthians 12:13  
Romans 8:14-17  
1 Corinthians 11:20-22  
Romans 8:15

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## BIG IDEA:

By God's Spirit we are able to cry out "Abba, Father." God's Spirit redirects us to see God as who He is, a loving Father who has brought us into His family; one people, one family. It is meant to shape us differently than our earthly families have shaped us. Being in God's family should shape us to be like Him. Being like Christ will change how we interact with our biological family and church family. The beautiful result of the Gospel is that God makes us one family. Jesus came to die for us and rise from the grave to make it a reality.

## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS:

In what ways was God not OK with how Israel's culture handled sin?

In what ways do you think God is not OK with how our culture handles sin?

How did God use David's culture and society to bring David to a place of repentance?

What, in our culture, does God use to bring us to a place of repentance?

Do you tend to see the individual redemption or more of the collective?

How is God working both in individual lives, but also in the community at large?

Why is it then, that Gospel Community (a group of people sharing life together focused on the person and work of Jesus Christ) is so important?

How has a community helped and/or hindered you in your relationship with Christ?

Do you see community as a place to protect one-another?

Read Luke 14:26. How does understanding the culture in which Jesus was in, cause verses like this one make more sense?

Do you view yourself as part of God's family?

Do you live like you are really family with other believers?

How might God be using your life for a larger community's good?

What would change in all of our lives if we lived for God's family before ourselves?

How can a community of people focused on Christ shape us individually to be more like Christ?

How well do you redirect people to God's grace and love for them?

How, and in what ways, can you improve?

In what ways can the community around you help you to do that?