

Sermon Discussion Guide October 12, 2025

1. Read Luke 17:1-10

2. Faith in Everyday Life:

- Discussion Question: The sermon begins with the question, "Now what?" How does this question apply to different stages in life, like graduation, marriage, or retirement?
- Activity: Share a "Now what?" moment you've experienced recently. How did you lean on your faith during that time?

3. Dealing with Temptation:

- o **Discussion Question:** Why does Jesus emphasize the seriousness of causing others to stumble in sin? How can our actions negatively or positively influence those around us?
- o **Activity:** ""Things that cause people to stumble are bound to come, but woe to anyone through whom they come... So watch yourselves" (Luke 17:1,3a). Explain or write down what it means to "Watch yourself."

4. Confronting and Forgiving Sin:

- o **Discussion Question:** How does rebuking sin out of love differ from judging others? What steps can we take to ensure we are rebuking with the right intentions?
- o **Activity:** Write down situations where you might need to rebuke someone's sin. Write a prayer asking for strength.

5. Faith's Strength and God's Grace:

- o **Discussion Question:** The sermon mentions that it's not the quantity of faith that matters but the quality. Explain how that distinction helps you make sense of Jesus' mustard seed analogy in verse 6.
- Activity: Put this statement in your own words: "It is not the act of believing but the object or content of faith that saves."

6. Serving with Humility:

- o **Discussion Question:** According to Jesus' parable in the sermon, why should we view our service as simply doing our duty rather than expecting extra credit?
- Activity: List ways your family can serve your community or church. Plan one act of service you can do together this month.

Reflection and Action:

- **Family Reflection:** Choose one point from the sermon that resonated with you. Share how you plan to apply this in the upcoming week.
- **Personal Challenge:** Encourage each family member to identify one area they would like to grow in faith and set a specific goal for improvement.

Closing Prayer:

Almighty God, in your bountiful goodness, keep us safe from every evil of body and soul. Make us ready, with cheerful hearts, to do whatever pleases you; through your Son, Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen.**