

# Out Of Darkness

Connect Group Guide - 2.9.25

## Opening Prayer

## Key Takeaways:

- Even great people of faith, like King David, can fall into sin.
- Covering up sin leads to spiritual and emotional exhaustion.
- Confession and repentance bring freedom and restoration.
- God's forgiveness is available for all sins through Jesus Christ.
- The reality of hell should motivate us to pursue righteousness and share the gospel.

## Discussion Questions:

1. The message discusses King David's fall into sin. How does this story challenge or encourage you in your own faith journey?
2. Pastor Mike mentioned that many people try to cover up their sins. Why do you think we often try to hide our wrongdoings instead of confessing them?
3. The message emphasizes the importance of confessing our sins to God. Have you experienced the freedom that comes from confession? How did it impact your relationship with God?
4. How can we create a church environment where people feel safe to confess their struggles and find support in their journey towards righteousness?
5. The pastor talked about the reality of hell. How does this sobering truth affect your perspective on evangelism and living out your faith?
6. What does it mean to you to be "a person after God's own heart"? How can we cultivate this kind of relationship with God?
7. The message touched on the idea that we can't always understand God's ways. How do you reconcile this with your faith, especially in difficult times?

## **Practical Applications:**

1. Take time this week for personal reflection and confession. Write down any sins or struggles you've been hiding and bring them to God in prayer.
2. Identify one person in your life who you can trust as an accountability partner. Share with them an area where you need support in overcoming sin.
3. Make a commitment to memorize Psalm 32:3-5 as a reminder of the importance of confession and God's forgiveness.
4. Reach out to someone you know who might be struggling with hidden sin. Offer them support and encouragement without judgment.
5. Spend time meditating on God's love and forgiveness. Write a letter to God expressing your gratitude for His grace in your life.

## **Closing Prayer:**

Encourage group members to continue reflecting on the message throughout the week and to support one another in their journey towards greater freedom in Christ.