

Argyle LifeGroup Study Guide, Luke, part 57, June 14, 2020

1. Read Luke 17:1-10
2. There are two essentials of the Christian life that Jesus wanted the disciples to understand. If we are going to successfully follow Jesus, we must understand and apply these two essentials of the Christian life: _____ and _____.
3. Read Luke 17:1. An offense is something that could cause another person to _____.
4. Read James 1:14-15. Temptation leads us to sin only if we give in to it.
5. Jesus said there is something worse than feeling tempted to sin. It's so much worse to be the one doing the _____.
6. Read Luke 17:3. To rebuke is to express disapproval and correct someone. Be very careful to rebuke with a spirit of love. It should always be done in private.
7. Jesus is teaching "balance" as He instructs us to rebuke with love when there is sin and to quickly forgive when someone repents.
8. Read Ephesians 4:15. Our goal is not to be right but to build a bridge of relationship. You can insist on being right and destroy any possibility of a bridge of relationship.
9. There are some sins that require repentance for forgiveness and some sins where forgiveness is just given. Read Galatians 6:1.
10. But then there are sins that are forgiven when the one who committed the sin repents. These are planned, on purpose, life-style choice sins. Sins that have become part of a person's life. Forgiveness requires true repentance. To repent means "to turn away from the sin and turn to God for forgiveness."
11. How many times should we forgive? Read Luke 17:4
12. The disciples realized this was impossible to do in their own strength. Read Luke 17:5
13. It requires great faith to forgive others that do not deserve forgiveness. Love leads us to forgive but it's our faith in God that drives the forgiveness and allows God to use it to heal our hearts. Read Luke 17:6.
14. If we are not careful to guard our heart, we can become full of pride and self-righteousness. At the heart of all sin, is pride. So Jesus tells this parable. Read Luke 17:7-10.