

Communities Questions and Discussion

For the week of: October 30, 2010

- 1. Have you ever experienced a relationship where someone said they were sorry for something, but didn't stop doing it? How did it make you feel? Did it communicate they were truly sorry?
- 2. While we don't like for people to do that to us (Question 1) that is what we often do to God. We ask for forgiveness but don't truly repent. Read Ezekiel 33:11. What does this verse tell us is the result of unrepentance? How does that apply to lack of repentance between you and God? Between you and other relationships?
- 3. Read Romans 1:18-22. God takes sin very seriously, but often times we do not. Why is that? Why do you let certain sins "slide"? What does this passage say are some of the reasons we do that? How have you experienced verse 22 in your own life?
- 4. Read Romans 1:28-32. A list of sins in this passage varies from what we would consider "serious" to "not so bad". What does that tell us about how God views sin? Which of these might be hidden sins in your own life that God wants to expose to you? How does verse 28 convict you about why these sins might be part of your life?
- 5. In what situations are you most generous (with friends, family, strangers, during the Christmas season, to a good cause, etc)? Why?Verse 32 is especially convicting. How should this verse impact our relationships and which relationships we choose to invest in? Does this expose some relationships you should re-evaluate? Or are you possibly a relationship someone should reevaluate because of your influence?