



Sunday Sermon Discussion Outline

Pastor Philip Thomas, June 28, 2020

Luke 17:1-10 – Stumbling

We Learn:

In Luke 17:1 Jesus told his disciples that things that cause people to stumble, or offenses, are bound to come, but woe to anyone through whom they come. This verse in the ESV translation states that temptations to sin are sure to come. These stumbling blocks, these offenses, are an entrapment of Satan to cause us to sin. So, what is the remedy? In Luke 17:3-4, Jesus speaks of the need to forgive our brothers and sisters no matter how many times they may have offended us. Forgiveness is the means by which we can keep from stumbling.

- What causes us to stumble? Why do we take offense?
- Why does Jesus speak as harshly as he does against those who cause others to stumble?
- What is the connection between stumbling and forgiveness?
- According to 2 Timothy 2:24-26, how does being a servant of the Lord affect how we relate to people?

We Respond:

- What does it mean to rebuke our brothers or sisters who sin against us?
- How can we fulfill Colossians 3:13-14 (Bear with each other and forgive one another if any of you has a grievance against someone. Forgive as the Lord forgave you. And over all these virtues put on love, which binds them all together in perfect unity.)?
- Why does Jesus say that we have to keep forgiving those who repent? What if they don't repent?
- How can you increase in faith to walk in the path of forgiveness?

We Apply:

- What specific stumbling block is there in your life?
- How can you exercise faith to remove this specific stumbling block?