



LifeGroup Discussion Guide

Unseen Sins - Grumbling

Remember this page is designed to begin a discussion with your LifeGroup. It is not comprehensive. Allow the following questions to spur on deeper and fuller conversation, study, and discussion.

Go around and share a pet peeve... what is it that most aggravates you to the point of grumbling? Alternatively, what's the thing that most annoys you when other people grumble. For example, in summer people complain and grumble about it being too hot [but it's only hot for like 1 week!!]?

READ: Proverbs 27:15-16 - Our verse for today is on that makes everyone shake their head (in agreement or offense). However, before we apply this passage to earthly spouses, we must first see the sin of grumbling in its offense of the Divine.
READ: Hosea 2:19-20 - Who is God betrothed (married) to? **READ: Ezekiel 16:32** - What is the adjective used to describe Israel? Explain the analogy? How does this title fit? **READ: Exodus 16:1-3** - How would you characterize Israel's relationship with their God from the beginning?

Right now the church is made to be a living body, a people called out, a people belonging to God. Although we are not yet experiencing the full wedding feast of God, we are nevertheless bound in covenantal promise as God's bride.
READ: 2 Corinthians 11:1-2; Ephesians 5:27; Revelation 19:7 - What does it mean for the church to be covenantally pledged in marriage to God? In the context of this relationship, what is the harm in the sin of grumbling?
READ: Numbers 14:1-4 - What is Israel's discontentment with God? What is the offense in **verse 4**? Do Christians today ever choose to follow the wrong leader?

Grumbling is a grievous sin. It not only affects our individual hearts, but it also has a community effect. **READ: Psalm 19:14** - Phil taught us that Grumbling is: "A verbal expression or thought flowing from the heart against God's will and against His design for your life." How have you seen grumbling affect a community? [Example: In a team sport, one group begins despairing about how good the other team is - soon everyone is afraid and playing afraid].

READ: Philippians 2:14-18 - Go around and pray for one another to live with a confidence and trust in Jesus that empowers us to live and love without complaining or grumbling, that none of us would be a quarrelsome fiancé to God.