

MESSAGE NOTES

Series: You Asked For It

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SMALL GROUP DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

For the week of May 4, 2025

OPENING DISCUSSION _____

1. Have you ever struggled to believe that God could forgive something in your past?
2. What's a moment in your life when you felt truly forgiven—by God or another person? What changed after that moment?
3. Why do you think people often feel like God has a “limit” on forgiveness? Where do those ideas come from—culture, family, experiences?

BIBLICAL REFLECTION _____

1. Read **Luke 23:39-43**. What do you notice about the two criminals and how they respond to Jesus?

How are their words and attitudes different?

2. Jesus told the repentant thief, “Today you will be with me in paradise.” What does that say about how forgiveness works? Did the thief do anything to “earn” it?
3. **2 Corinthians 5:21** says Jesus became sin for us—how does this truth change the way you think about your own sin?

What does it mean to “become the righteousness of God”?

4. The sermon mentions the three crosses as symbols: rejection, repentance, and redemption. Which one do you think most people today relate to—and why?

Which one do you relate to right now?

PERSONAL APPLICATION _____

1. What lie do you find yourself believing about forgiveness? (i.e., “It’s too late,” “I’ve messed up too much,” “God won’t take me back.”)
2. Is there someone in your life who needs to experience the love of God through you?

How can you show that this week?

3. What would change in your life if you fully believed that you are already completely forgiven by God?

How would it affect your relationships, habits, or thoughts?

PRAYER REQUESTS _____