






 <p>SERIES & TITLE</p>	<p>CROSSROADS: Choosing the Road Less Traveled - Judas & Peter</p>
 <p>BIG IDEA</p>	<p>Remorse is never enough. Forgiveness always is.</p>
 <p>ICE BREAKER</p>	<p>Share about a time when you really let someone down or failed to come through on a commitment you made. What were the consequences and how did you try to make it right?</p>
 <p>MAIN POINTS</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● We are all capable of hugely disappointing God through our sins and failures. ● Remorse alone is never enough - we need forgiveness from Jesus. ● Jesus' grace is greater than our disgrace. He knows we will fail yet still loves us. ● Repentance means turning back to Jesus, not wallowing in self-loathing. ● We have a choice - to be set free by Jesus or be a captive of sin/Satan.
 <p>DISCUSS</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Pastor Cal said "We are all capable of the worst atrocities." Do you agree or disagree with this statement? Why? 2. What's the difference between remorse and repentance? Why is repentance so important? 3. How have you experienced the reality that "God's grace is greater than our disgrace"? What does this truth mean for us? 4. Pastor Cal gave the analogy of two doors - Jesus knocking or sin crouching. Which door are you more prone to open? What can help you open the door to Jesus more consistently? 5. How can we cultivate a lifestyle of ongoing repentance rather than letting sins accumulate until we feel overwhelmed by guilt/remorse?
 <p>NEXT STEP</p>	<p>Is there any unrepented sin you need to turn from today? Any remorse you need to deal with by repenting and receiving Jesus' forgiveness? Share it with a trusted friend and ask for God's forgiveness.</p>
 <p>SCRIPTURE</p>	<p>Matthew 27:3-5 When Judas, who had betrayed him, saw that Jesus was condemned, he was seized with remorse and returned the thirty pieces of silver to the chief priests and the elders. "I have sinned," he said, "for I have betrayed innocent blood." "What is that to us?" they replied. "That's your responsibility." So Judas threw the money into the temple and left. Then he went away and hanged himself.</p> <p>Revelation 3:20 Here I am! I stand at the door and knock. If anyone hears my voice and opens the door, I will come in and eat with that person, and they with me.</p>
 <p>NEXT WEEK SNEAK PEAK</p>	<p>Join us next week and invite a friend for Mother's Day as we hear from Lisa Jernigan!</p>

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