

## Life Group Questions

### *Forgiveness (Matthew 18:21-35)*

Instructions: A life group is a family growing in Jesus together (worship), caring for each other (community), and BLESSing our neighbors together (mission). It's good to begin with a couple of the CONNECT questions. Then read the Scriptures and discuss. Make sure to conclude by applying the passage and finishing with a time of prayer.

#### CONNECT Questions

1. How would your life change if all your debts were canceled?
2. From Sunday's message, is there a thought or idea that especially intrigued, provoked, disturbed, challenged, encouraged, or surprised you?
3. Share something you are thankful for or a challenge you are facing right now.
4. How did you do with your last "I Will" statement?

#### READ Matthew 18:21-35

1. Have someone retell the passage in their own words.
2. What stands out or is interesting to you?
3. What do you learn about people in this passage? (yourself, others)
4. What do you learn about God in this passage? (his character, his ways, etc.)

#### LIVE IT OUT

1. Do you tend to be quick or slow to forgive? Explain.
2. How can you apply this passage this week? Is there forgiveness that needs to be extended or received? If you need additional help, you can find a list of counselors at [avalonchurch.org/counseling](http://avalonchurch.org/counseling).
3. How is this passage calling our group to live out God's mission to bless others?

#### PRAY



#### Apostle's Creed

I believe in God,  
the Father almighty,  
creator of heaven and earth.

I believe in Jesus Christ,  
his only Son, our Lord.

He was conceived  
by the power of the Holy Spirit  
and born of the Virgin Mary.

He suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried.  
He descended to the dead.

On the third day he rose again.  
He ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again  
to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
**the communion of saints,**  
**the forgiveness of sins,**  
the resurrection of the body,  
and the life everlasting.  
Amen.

--Modern English Anglican version.