

Small Group Discussion Guide June 10, 2018

Sermon Title: "No Place for Sin"

Sermon Text: Psalm 66:16-20 Scripture Reading: Psalm 75

Leader: Please allow a moment for introductions/visiting. Have someone offer a brief prayer inviting God to speak and lead using the group's discussion.

Getting Started: What is your favorite room in your house and what makes it so appealing to you?

Discussion:

- 1. Do you remember the Pastor's "life theme" verse? Check out **Proverbs 4:23.** How does it relate to our text?
- **2.** Can you think of various ways the Bible describes the potential states of the human heart? (Example: "hard-hearted") Cite examples and scripture references.
- **3.** What was the main concern of the heart the Psalmist mentioned? **(Reference: Vs. 18)** Are we ever guilty of this behavior? What exactly does that mean?
- **4.** The Pastor mentioned a few blessings we forfeit if we "cherish sin in our heart." Consider this list he shared and how these may impact you:
 - Our prayers are not heard. Sin in the heart interrupts our communication line with God. It's as if sin is jamming the signal of our prayers.
 (Reference: John 19:31) Who was it that stated this truth?
 - 2. Our productivity is diminished. As Christians we are to bear fruit. What are the conditions Jesus stated in order for us to bear fruit? (Reference: John 15:15)
 - Our peace is not possible. Inner peace is a by-product of living close to God. Sin interferes with our relationship- thus destroying our peace. (Reference: Isaiah 26:3, Matthew 5:8)

Closing: Close by sharing prayer requests. Pray for each another and for the needs that were shared. **Have a blessed week. GO SHARE JESUS!**

