

## **Luke 17:1-10 – Bible Study**

### **Read:**

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(If you are leading, you might like to also look at Matthew 18 – a parallel passage – before the meeting).

### **General question:**

What stands out to you from this passage?

### **Further questions:**

#### A warning (v1-2)

1. Tough question to start... Are you able to see any ways (eg: actions, words, attitudes etc) where you feel you are prone to causing people to stumble?
2. Are there practical things we can do to make it less likely that we will cause other people to stumble?
3. In what ways do you stumble in your walk with Jesus? (If you feel able to discuss this with others, please do). What might help you to stumble less?

#### Forgiving others (v3-4)

1. This is a sensitive topic, but is there anything you feel God is prompting in you about the whole area of forgiving others? Share if able.
2. When is it appropriate to “rebuke” others (v3)? What can this most helpfully look like for us in our culture? What needs to be in place before you might rebuke someone?
3. Is repentance always necessary in being forgiven? (v3)
4. If needed, how would you personally like to be “rebuked”?
5. In what ways do you struggle to forgive? Are there specific situations or people who you particularly struggle with?

#### Feeling overwhelmed (v5-6)

1. In what ways would you like Jesus to “increase your faith”?
2. What would “increased faith” look like?
3. Can faith grow? If so, how has your faith grown over the years or recently?
4. Why does Jesus seem to ignore the disciples request for more faith? What is he saying in verse 6? Discuss.

#### Humility about ourselves (v7-10)

1. How do you feel about being called an “unworthy servant” by Jesus? What emotions does this bring up in you?
2. Being told we are “unworthy servants” could bring up some negative feelings. How do we get the right balance between feeling “unworthy” and “loved”?
3. Are you able to recognise any areas in your life or thinking where you have viewed yourself as a “master” instead of a “servant”?