

## Small Group Questions

March 11, 2018

Series: Live Free

Week 4: "Live Free of Shame"



### Introduction

Baggage are the things we carry around with us on the inside. In a broken world, all kinds of events happen and while the event may pass, the effect of the event can stay with us. Our baggage has a way of influencing our lives in negative ways. Of course, we would like to be free of it, but that's easier said than done. In this series, we will look at how we can ditch some of our baggage. Each week will look at a specific piece of baggage that is prevalent in our day.

The hope through these weeks is to see people experience more freedom in Jesus and less burden from the hurts of this world.

(Questions to get everyone to participate)

1. What do you spend the most time on, in front of a mirror? (hair, makeup, beard care, etc)
  - a. What is the first thing your eyes go to when you look in a mirror?
2. What was your favorite hiding place as a child?

(Questions based on the primary text)

Read Joshua 6:18-19 & 7:1-13.

3. When Israel attacked Ai, what did they expect to happen? What was the actual outcome?
4. How would you describe Joshua's reaction to the stunning defeat at Ai? (Cowardly, Angry, Whining, Surprised, etc).
5. Why do you suppose God wanted them to destroy everything?
6. Do you think it was fair that God punished all of Israel over one man's sin? Why or why not?

Read Colossians 1:21-23

7. What before and after story do you see from this passage?
8. How does the thought of being "holy and blameless" before God make you feel?
9. (Risky question) What shame in your life needs to be unburied and given to God?