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THE *Mess*  
OF Sin

Mark 9:42-48

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2. Jesus wants me to know the \_\_\_\_\_ sin brings.

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until ultimately it promises everything and gives nothing."  
C.S. Lewis

*"But if you cause one of these little ones who trusts in me to fall into sin, it would be better for you to be thrown into the sea with a large millstone hung around your neck. Mark 9:42 (NLT)*

3. Sin is more than just my \_\_\_\_\_.

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See Mark 9:43-47

4. Jesus invites me to come \_\_\_\_\_ and come \_\_\_\_\_.

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**WEEK 6 >>**

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**DISCUSSION QUESTIONS**

**[CONNECT]**

What is the best dessert you've ever had? What is your favorite "go to" dessert?

**[ENGAGE]**

What impacted you the most personally from the message?

**[GROW]**

How would you define "sin"? How does it compare to how it was defined in the message?

Read Mark 9:42-50. What impacts you most about Jesus' words? Do you sense that He's not angry, but that He wants them to understand how serious and destructive sin is? Describe how you imagine Jesus sharing this with His followers?

The message brought up how the Old Testament often describes what the conditions would be like when God's people lived in unity and faith and trust in God. How would things be different if people obeyed God and there was no sin? That's part of what Jesus' wanted His followers to begin to see. God's plan is good and sin utterly distorts and ruins that.

How would you answer someone who said that sin is only the wrong things we DO? Does it go deeper than our actions?

**[LEAD (YOURSELF)]**

The last point of the message was to "come clean and come home." What does that mean? What is one thing you can do this week to take a step closer to Jesus?