

# SERMON APPLICATION GUIDE

Marks of Revival: Mourning Our Sin | Ezra 9

## WORSHIP & WALK

### 1. REVIEW + UNDERSTAND

1. Seek to begin your time with worship.
2. Read Ezra 9 and pray together.
3. What jumps out to you from the passage? What was at the heart of the problem Ezra was mourning?
4. Read 2 Corinthians 7. What constitutes godly grief/mourning?
5. What was your experience like at the end of service Sunday?

### 2. ASSESS + APPLY

1. If you haven't talked about it yet, what was Ezra's response to the people's sin (not even his own sin)? Why is this significant? What does it look like mourn over sin together as members of Christ's body?
2. John Owen wrote, "Be killing sin, or sin will be killing you." What are the best ways we partner with the Lord to kill sin? Get really practical with this one.
3. Why is it that great joy comes on the other side of mourning sin?
4. What do you need to confess? Consider having a time of confession as a larger group, but wait to confess sexual sins once you move into split time (men with men, and women with women).
5. Make sure you have read the announcement block in the top right. Where do we go from here?
6. Let's head into this coming Sunday (all about forsaking sin) with expectant hearts. God, do a mighty work in our church as we are devoted to you, engaging in these marks of revival.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Let's strike while the iron is hot coming out of these last couple weeks when it comes to prayer and fasting and mourning our sin. Please help one another create a plan for these life giving practices. Sign up for 24 hour prayer on the News page of the website.

## PRAYERS + APPLICATIONS

## LOOKING AHEAD

Read next week's passage and ask: What does it say? What does it mean? How should I respond?

# Ezra 10

## WORK

How should this message affect how you serve others?

## WITNESS

How should this message affect how you share the Gospel?