

**FACILITATION HELP:
DON'T HOG THE MIC!**

Part of being a good discussion leader is making sure you, the adult, do not spend the entire time talking. Once you ask a question, don't rush in to answer your own question just because the room is silent. Silence can be a good thing. It means your students are thinking about what you just asked. Give them a few moments to process, and then wait for them to reply. If they cannot answer your question, try to rephrase it or make it personal for them. The truth is that these students have something to say. Keep them on track but don't take over the discussion.

**STUDENT LESSON
VIDEO**

When did you first realize you were a sinner?

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**CORE
CONCEPTS**

Mankind is broken due to the effects of sin.

ESSENTIALS QUESTION: HOW WOULD YOU DEFINE SIN?**STUDENT DISCUSSION 1:**

ARE SOME SINS WORSE THAN OTHERS? WHY OR WHY NOT?

(1 John 5:16-17, Mark 3:28-29, John 19:11)

STUDENT DISCUSSION 2:

WHY DOES PAUL CHOOSE PASSAGES FROM PSALMS AND ISAIAH TO PROVE HIS POINT IN VERSES 10-18?

Jewish teachers frequently cited passages from the Hebrew Scriptures to prove their point. In referencing a particular verse, they were also calling attention to the whole passage. Check out these passages in Psalms and Isaiah to gain further insight into what Paul was saying.

STUDENT DISCUSSION 3:

WHAT METAPHORS OR CONCEPTS HELP YOU UNDERSTAND YOUR SINFULNESS? (FOR EXAMPLE, DIRTY WATER, DISEASE, FIRE, OR BROKEN PLATES. SEE [FALLINGPLATES.COM](http://fallingplates.com)*).

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CONCLUDE YOUR DISCUSSION WITH:

- » **ACTION PLAN:** *How do you plan to think and act differently?*
- » **FINAL REFLECTION:** *Sin is an unavoidable reality of our human nature. No matter what we do or don't do, we are infected with sin and the only thing that can redeem us is putting our trust and faith in Jesus Christ.*
- » **FINAL QUESTION:** *What sin are you struggling with in your life?*