



INTO HIS PRESENCE

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WARM UP QUESTION: Were you ever caught stealing cookies from the cookie jar?

READ: Leviticus 16:1-5, 34

FOCUS: God, who is holy, removed the barrier of sin so His people could be close to Him.

OBSERVE:

- Every one of us sins. Sin is rebellion toward God, wrongdoing toward others, and our tendency to center our lives on ourselves rather than God.
- The penalty for sin is severe. God cannot fellowship with sinful people, so he instituted a system of sacrifices, providing a means of cleansing for his people so they could come into his presence.
- Ultimately, God, who is holy, removed our sin through the shed blood of his Son Jesus, allowing us to have constant fellowship with him.

DISCUSS:

- What stood out to you, or what did the Holy Spirit bring to your attention?
- What life experiences, memories, thoughts, or emotions does this bring up for you when you reflect on times you have felt separated from God's love?
- Are there any sins standing between you and God right now?

TAKE ACTION:

- In your group, discuss times when you feel you needed to earn God's grace and how you came to realize you no longer need to feel weighed down by guilt and shame. Help each other to understand the forgiveness that Jesus bought on the cross.
- Share about the experience of confessing sins and the freedom it brought.
- If any have the need, confess your sins to one another, either in the group or more privately afterward to someone you trust.

PRAY: *Heavenly Father, thank you for allowing your Son Jesus to pay the price for our sins so that we might have a restored relationship with you. Lord Jesus, thank you for being our High Priest and Redeemer! Empower us to respond to your love by fleeing from sin and living lives that are pleasing to God. In Jesus' we pray, Amen!*