

# Small Group Discussion Guide

“Mortified” (pt. 3) – 03.29.2015

**Scripture:** Colossians 3:1-17

**Bottom Line:** “Practical Steps for Putting Sin to Death!”

## INTRODUCTION/ICEBREAKER:

The past two weeks Adam and Rob sang some of their, “favorite,” songs. It's time for your group to join in on the fun! Have your group name their go-to song they love to belt out when no one is around. Better yet...make them sing it when they share with the group!

## LIVING OUT THE GOSPEL IN MY EVERYDAY LIFE:

For the past 3 weeks we have been discussing putting sin to death and overcoming the struggles that just won't seem to go away.

- 1) What are some unhelpful ways we typically deal with persistent sin and temptation?  
(Cover and pretend, focus on the other person, justify our actions, etc)
- 2) How have these ways of dealing with persistent sin been ineffective for you?

## Read Colossians 3:5

Paul tells us to, “put sin to death.” In part 3 of our Mortified series, Pastor Adam gave some very practical steps in overcoming persistent struggles and, “putting sin to death.” Take some time to discuss all 4 with your group.

### 1) Dissect it:

- *What's your weakness? Where is the place that creates a tempting environment?*

### 2) Take two looks at Jesus for every one look at sin (Colossians 3:1-2):

- *What are some practical ways to do this? (memorizing scripture, prayer, etc.)*

### 3) Tell God, plus one (Colossians 3:12-16):

- Who are you being really honest with/who is being honest with you?
- Do you struggle with confiding your struggles to others? Why?

### 4) Persevere with the end in mind (Colossians 3:1-5).

- Why is this important? (reminds us that Jesus wins in the end, we will not always struggle with these things, etc).
- What are some other ways that have been helpful for you when it comes to, “putting sin to death,” in your own life?

\* Encourage your group to share any current struggles they are going through. Stop and take some extra time to pray for them after they share!