

Why Am I Running?

Week 2

Most people have a distorted view of sin and judgment.

Sin entered into the human story from the very beginning.

Genesis 1:26-31 (NLT)
Genesis 3:1-7 (NLT)
Genesis 3:16-19 (NLT)

The effects of sin were far-reaching:

- Physical pain
 - Relational turmoil
- Environmental chaos
- Vocational pain
- Physical death

We unleash sin into the world in big and small ways.

James 3:5-6 (NLT)

God hates sin not because He is judgmental or vindictive but because it destroys us and the world He made for us.

In spite of what we did and currently do, God has promised to make things right.

Genesis 3:14-15 (NLT)

Jesus paved the way for heaven to come back to earth one day.
Colossians 1:19-20 (ESV)

Judgment in the form of hell has to exist as the counter to heaven because that which is opposed to God cannot exist within heaven.

Hell is God letting people have what they want, to be outside what He is trying to do inside.

Zechariah 2:3-5 (ESV)

It looks like fire and judgment to be outside His presence; but to be inside His presence, it looks like glory.

This is not a horror story. It's a love story. The greatest love story there will ever be.

Family Conversation: How could you take a step toward God this week?