Series: Genesis of Hope Sermon: The Seed and The Clothes Speaker: Jerry Gillis

Monday: Genesis 3:1-15 Tuesday: Genesis 3:16-24 Wednesday: Galatians 3:15-29 Thursday: 1 Corinthians 15:45-58 Friday: Isaiah 61:1-11 Saturday: Colossians 8:3-17

- 1. Have someone in your group give a brief recap of Sunday's message, highlighting the primary Scripture points and the main idea of the message.
- 2. How did this message strengthen and/or correct your previous ideas about hope? Did you learn anything new about God or yourself this week?
- 3. Shame can be healthy, and even a grace to us. How can you discern healthy shame from unhealthy shame?
- 4. Do you find hope in "the seed"? Encourage each other by sharing the gospel with each other from beginning to end beginning in Genesis and ending in Revelation!
- 5. What do you tend to hide behind (tree) or cover yourself with (fig leaves) when you feel fear, guilt, or shame? How can we as a community of believers encourage each other to find real hope in Jesus?
- 6. What action step do you need to take in response to this week's message? How can your group hold you accountable to this step?

Action Step

Interact with this statement: The same thing that caused Adam and Eve's downfall, a tree, is exactly the sort of thing they hid from God behind.

Spend time in reflection. What do you hide behind? Spend time in reflection and prayer. Be intentional in confessing and repenting. In response to this time of reflection, determine an action step – what do you need to do to step out of hiding and return to the cross of Jesus?

Mobilization Challenge

As a group, create a list of individuals in your sphere of influence – who are you interacting with regularly in your workplace, neighborhood, etc.? Spend time praying over each of these names, specifically praying that they find hope in Christ.