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## Don't Give the Enemy a Seat at Your Table — Lesson 5

Scripture: James 5:13-16

OPEN:

1. People likely considered Saul, prior to meeting Christ, too far gone to be used by God. What does his story tell you about the dangers of thinking this way?

Read James 5:13-16

DIG:

1. What are the benefits of being in community with other members of God's family?
2. Why does James instruct you to confess your sins to others?

Watch the video

3. God has given us the victory over the enemy through the death and resurrection of Christ. So how does the enemy still gain access to our table? Share a time in your life that you realized you had to make drastic changes to pursue the plans that God had for you. What factors caused you to come to this realization?
4. Paul writes, "No temptation has overtaken you except what is common to mankind" (1 Corinthians 10:13). Why does the enemy want us to think that

our situation is unique? What is the danger of thinking that our situation is "special" or that we are an "exception"?

5. What are some of the "doors" that God provides to give us a way out when we are tempted? What happens if we pass by those doors?
  
6. How did the enemy use condemnation in the story of Adam and Eve? How does he use condemnation today against followers of Christ?
  
7. Conviction comes from the Holy Spirit. What are some of the ways the Holy Spirit convicts people of sin? What typically happens as a result of that conviction?
  
8. Condemnation comes from the enemy. What are some of the results of giving in to feelings of condemnation? What is the remedy to breaking that cycle?

REFLECT:

1. After reviewing the lesson and any notes you took, what is your most significant takeaway from this session?