

"Ring of Fire" Romans 7:14-25 Sam Burleson, May 12, 2024

Connect with each other in joy and concern

• As time allows, general conversation about the sermon is welcomed.

**Discussion Questions** 

- Pastor Sam mentions that Johnny Cash didn't write "Ring of Fire," yet he resonated deeply with its themes. Have you ever felt a connection to a piece of art or music that someone else created? What was it about that piece that resonated with you?
- How does the story behind the creation of "Ring of Fire" deepen your understanding of the tension between love and guilt?
- Pastor Sam spoke about the tension between what we want to do and what we actually do. Can you share a personal experience where you felt this tension in your own life?
- If sin is the gap between our desire for love and our ability to love, what changes in how your understanding of sin at work in the world. Do you agree with this definition? Why or why not?
- Johnny Cash struggled with personal problems, yet he found comfort in the words of the Apostle Paul. How does knowing that others, including well-known figures like Cash, grapple with similar struggles affect your own faith journey?
- How does Jesus, as described in the sermon, bridge the gap between our desires and our actions? What practical steps can we take to allow Jesus to work in our lives in this way?
- Reflecting on the sermon's conclusion, what steps can you take to find comfort and resolution in Jesus, especially when facing internal struggles and uncertainty in your life?

**Closing Prayer** 

