



## **-Everyday Heroes-**

Holiness is God's desire for you. However, spiritual inconsistencies live in each and every one of us. Even the Biblical models of faithfulness had moments when they fell short of God's desire for holiness in their lives. Despite these failings, Jesus hung out with messy people in order to make them more like him. That's because Jesus is never afraid of using our messes to make us holy.

### **Ice-Breakers:**

- Who is/was your favorite superhero and why?

### **Questions:**

1. Read I Corinthians 1:1-9. In spite of some real messiness in the Corinthian church, Paul speaks graciously to them at the beginning of his letter... thanking God for them, affirming God's work in their lives, and speaking graciously toward them.
  - What does this teach us about God's love for us, even in the midst of our messiness?
2. Read the following passages... I Corinthians 1:11; I Corinthians 3:1-3; I Corinthians 4:18; I Corinthians 5:1-2, 6; I Corinthians 6:6-7; I Corinthians 6:15, 19-20; I Corinthians 11:17-18, 21-22; I Corinthians 14:20; I Corinthians 15:23.
  - Are you surprised by all the struggles in the church at Corinth? Why or why not?
  - What can we learn about God from these passages?
  - What can we learn about Christians from these passages?
3. Read Romans 7:15, 19-20; I Corinthians 15:9-10; II Corinthians 12:8-10.
  - Why does Paul say he is strongest when he is weak?
  - How might Paul's struggles encourage you in your Christian walk?
  - Identify and share a time when one of your weaknesses became an opportunity for God to shine in your life.
4. Read II Corinthians 3:18
  - Since you put your faith in Jesus, in what ways has God changed you to be more like Him?

### **Application:**

- Why do you think God is more concerned about your desire to be like him than your messiness?
- In what specific ways are you making an intentional effort to grow to be more like Jesus?
- What else might you do to cooperate with God on this process?