

WORSHIP THROUGH SURRENDER SESSION 3

BOTTOM LINE

You need to surrender anything in private you don't want public.

SCRIPTURE

As Jesus started on his way, a man ran up to him and fell on his knees before him. "Good teacher," he asked, "what must I do to inherit eternal life?" "Why do you call me good?" Jesus answered. "No one is good—except God alone. You know the commandments: 'You shall not murder, you shall not commit adultery, you shall not steal, you shall not give false testimony, you shall not defraud, honor your father and mother.'" "Teacher," he declared, "all these I have kept since I was a boy." Jesus looked at him and loved him. "One thing you lack," he said. "Go, sell everything you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven. Then come, follow me." At this the man's face fell. He went away sad, because he had great wealth. (Mark 10:17-22 NIV)

MESSAGE OVERVIEW

Our public image is very important to us. We want to make sure people view us a certain way and that we are accepted by others. The challenge with that happens when the person we are in private doesn't match our public image. It is the things we hold on to in private that truly define us and get in the way of our fully surrendering to Jesus. Jesus calls us to hand Him those things that we are holding on to in place of Him. When we do that, we find true surrender.

DISCUSSION GUIDE

*Celebrate anyone in your group who chose to follow Jesus for the first time.

- Share a story about a time when something discussed in private was shared in public. What was that experience like? How did it feel knowing it was shared?
- What are things people keep private that they don't want the public to know? Why do you think people are different in private than in public?

- Do you believe that who you are in public is the real you? Why or why not? How does your public image and private life not align?
- Read Mark 10:17 out loud. The rich young ruler asked "what must I do to inherit eternal life?" What would your answer be to him?
- Jesus calls us to surrender everything. What does it mean to surrender? What are some things you need to surrender to Jesus?
- What are some things that are hard to surrender? Why
- How can you start surrendering once you leave this weekend?