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EPHESIANS 2

DESCRIPTION: OTHERS MAY THINK WE'RE PRETTY GOOD PEOPLE. WE PLAY THE PART. WE'RE NICE. WE HELP OTHERS OUT SOME. BUT WHAT ABOUT OUR HEARTS? WHAT IF OTHERS COULD SEE INSIDE OF US? WELL, GOD CAN. AND YET . . . HE STILL CHOSE TO SEND HIS SON TO REDEEM US. PART OF THE *SCRIPTURE VISUALS* SERIES, THIS VIDEO TEACHES THAT GOD'S LOVE CONQUERS SIN TO BRING SALVATION TO HIS PEOPLE.

Show the Video

Discuss

- Let's make a list. Let's identify as many traits as we can that make up a "good person."
- Why is it important to be a "good person"? Why is it important to live in such a way that we seek to do what's best for others, to treat people with respect, and to basically do good things?
- Does doing good things and being nice to people really make you a good person? What about all the secret thoughts you have? What about the sin in your life that others may not know of? How do these concerns affect the whole idea of us as "good people"?
- Will being good get you to Heaven? What does God see when He sees your heart? (It's OK to leave this one as a rhetorical question. Let it hang out there and help you transition into the Bible Study portion.)

Close with the Word

- Have students turn to Ephesians 2. Explain that Ephesians is a letter written by the Apostle Paul to the church in Ephesus while Paul was imprisoned. Read or have a student read Ephesians 2:1-5.
- Then, ask:
 - o Look closely at the picture of people painted in verses 1-3. How does Paul describe people before God came into their lives?
 - Answer: Dead in their sins; following the world's ways; following our sinful desires; objects of God's wrath.
 - o If this is what is going on in the hearts of those who do not have a relationship with Christ, does it really matter if they act like good people?
 - o Look at verses 4-5. How did God save us from the death our sins deserve?
 - Answer: Through His grace shown in sending Christ to die for our sins.
- Remind students of the video's message. No matter how good we act, the Bible says our hearts are sinful and self-centered. God knows this. Yet He still sent His Son, Jesus, to redeem us. Remind students that life can only be found through a saving relationship with Christ.