

Were: Week 2 — "Sanctified"

CONNECT: Have you ever been to dinner and had someone unexpectedly pick up the tab? Did you or would you try to pay for your portion or easily accept the gesture?

GROW:

- 1. How easy or difficult is the concept of grace for you?
 - a. Do you ever feel like you have to earn God's grace?
 - b. Does it seem fair that we could receive grace without having to do anything first?
- 2. **Read Romans 5:8.** In this verse, Paul describes the moment God saved us.
 - a. If you wrote the story of grace, at what point do you think you'd be worthy of someone dying for you?
 - b. At what point in our relationship with sin did Jesus die for us?
- 3. Read Proverbs 27:17. Of your friends and family, who sharpens you?
- 4. **Read Colossians 3:17, 23.** How can these verses impact the way you approach your life at work and at home?
- 5. **Read Luke 22:41-44.** Jesus asks for the Father to remove His circumstances, but defers to the will of the Father.
 - a. Have you ever asked God to remove a circumstance from your life?
 - b. Is it difficult for you to say, "Not my will, but yours be done"?

PRAY: Father, thank you for giving me your grace freely. Remind me that I am washed, sanctified, and justified through nothing I have done, but through your Spirit. Help me to accept the struggles of this life through a lens of your grace and refinement. Not my will, Lord, but yours be done. Amen.

NEXT: Is there anyone who you have invited to speak truth into your life? If not, identify and invite someone to do just that. If you already have someone who speaks truth in your life, check in with them and share some areas of your life that need sharpening.