

Media



✓ Prepare in Advance

- Have the *Bible Background Video* ready to view.
- Retrieve, review, and have ready the videos listed below (links are provided on this session's webpage).

✓ Group

Show the *Bible Background Video* followed by the “Tommy” and/or “Superman” video clips, then use any or all of these questions to promote discussion:

- In what ways do these video clips reflect or contrast with the scriptures?
- When your congregation talks about Jesus, who are they really talking about and why?
- In what ways does your church intentionally create an expectation of who Jesus is and what he wants from people?
- What are some ways through which your church may unintentionally do this?
- In what ways do you think your congregation's way of testifying to Jesus might differ from that of some other congregation and why?
- What do such differences say about us as people of faith?

✓ React to This

Play the “Shallow Hal” videos, stopping briefly after each for any comments, then ask questions like:

- What do you think that these clips have to say about the conversation so far?
- Describe someone who you have known who was basically misunderstood by other people. What do you think that knowing such a person has taught you?
- What kinds of people do you think most gravitate toward people like you and why?
- In what ways might it be dangerous to allow people to misinterpret you?
- Why do you think that Jesus was so hard to know, and didn't really want everyone to know who he was?
- In what ways is such an attitude like and unlike people you have known?

If all someone had to go on was their association with you, who do you think they'd say Jesus is?

✓ Close

Invite people to talk briefly about how they have come to know the Jesus they know. Pray together that you may be able to meet Jesus as he is and be transformed by it.

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