

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).

✓ People of Love

Show the *Bible Background Video* followed by the “Get Together” and/or “He Ain't Heavy, He's My Brother” music clips, then use any or all of these questions to promote discussion:

- In what ways do the words or spirit of these songs reflect this passage?
- To what degree do you think your congregation places an emphasis on caring for the poor, the disenfranchised, the hungry — and why?
- What does your congregation do to help people understand their responsibility to other people?
- If you were to compile a list of the four or five most harmful ways someone could misbehave, based on what your congregation or group teaches, what would be on it and why?
- How do you feel about the level of expectation your congregation places (either officially or not) on people who claim to be Christians and why?
- What can Christian groups do to better help their members live up to the standards set by these scriptures?

✓ React to This

Play the “Crooked Deep Down” and/or “Beds are Burning” videos, stopping briefly after each for any comments, then ask questions like:

- How do these songs bring a more personal dimension to the the previous discussion?
- With what kinds of misbehavior did you (or your parents) most struggle while you were young?
- What helped you grow out of it (assuming you did)?
- What kinds of “before and after” behaviors have you observed in people who accepted Christ? What do you think that such differences say about the nature of faith?
- How does someone go about making things right once they've reconfigured their lives in good directions?

- What can we do, as individuals, to help ourselves be better able to live according to this passage of scripture?
- What can we do for other people who are looking to do this?

✓ Close

Invite a couple of volunteers to share about some aspect of faith with which they currently struggle. Close with a prayer that you can better respond to God's love by living with others as love requires you to do.

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