

# I Hate Religion Week Two: How We Look

## The Big Idea

Religion is more concerned about how we look than who we are.

#### **Key Verse**

(Galatians 2:19) "For when I tried to keep the law, it condemned me. So I died to the law—I stopped trying to meet all its requirements—so that I might live for God."

## **Start Talking**

Are you frustrated by hypocritical people?

#### **Start Thinking**

Why do you think so many people pretend to be something they aren't?

# Start Sharing

Was there anything in the messages you found interesting or surprising?

Are there things you have done in your life just to look better to other people?

How have you experienced, in your faith or life, the flawed thinking of fixing problems from the outside in?

How does the idea that Jesus was called "friend of sinners" effect your view of how you should conduct your friendships?

What areas of your life or faith are still a struggle, where you tend to be more concerned about what people think than what God thinks?

#### **Start Doing**

Stop concerning yourself with the religious things you do to try to look holy and instead just pursue holiness through Jesus.