



## Week 5 - December 6 or 10

**Remind: Romans 12:9-21** set this up and remind them of how your group rewrote this passage.

*Leader Note: Tonight's teaching ended with the big idea, "we are not yet what we are meant to be. We are incomplete works in progress." Take time to discuss what this looks like individually for each of your students.*

How does it feel to know that each one of us is a work in progress?

If you are a follower of Jesus, do you ever feel like you have to be "perfect"? Why or why not?

Why do you think the world expects followers of Jesus to be "perfect"? (Whether or not all of your students are followers of Jesus)

*Leader Note: This is a great time to reiterate the fact that while all of us are sinners and have fallen short, we still need to follow the example of Jesus.*

When you first heard the list of people in the Bible who were hypocrites, what was your first reaction? Did it change your opinion of them?

## Read James 1:22-23

If Jesus died for our sins, why is important for us to still live a life that is honoring to Jesus? (It is okay to play devil's advocate, a little. We want students to wrestle through the tension of being forgiven but still making the choice to live like Jesus).

What actions can you take when you're tempted to do something God does not want you to do?

What does it look like to allow God to daily transform our lives?

**Next Step:** Take time to identify what is still a work in progress in your life. Pray as a group and how each person can continue to be transformed by God.