



**PERSONAL INTEGRITY**  
*doing the right thing even when no one is watching*

Leaders: Take your group through each section: Pray, Reflect, and Reach. Keep in mind the time allowances. In the Reflect section, feel free to focus on several of these questions instead of all as time allows.

How do you know who you really are? There are, of course, all sorts of websites that help you try to answer that question. But one piece of advice common to all of them is, "Knowing yourself starts with who you are in private." That is one easy way to discover, in part, who you really are. Does your private life match your public life?

Integrity should be the word that comes to your mind right now. As Christians, there should be no gap between who we are in public and who we are in private. The bigger that gap, the higher the probability that we will have a spiritual or moral failure in our lives. The Scripture is full of strong statements advising us to be sincere and without hypocrisy in that regard.

Like they say in England, when you are moving from the platform to the train, "Mind the gap." But in this case, don't just be aware of it. Choose to minimize it, reduce it, and eliminate it. So that *who you are in private is the same as who you are in public*. God's sees both.



### WATCH

Play the video prepared for this lesson by Pastor Derek. Video sessions are available for download at [cclasvegas.org/GROUPS](http://cclasvegas.org/GROUPS)



### PRAY (10 min)

As a Home Group, take a moment and discuss what holds you back from being more honest and transparent with other Christians.



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What happened when an opportunity came to share the gospel to someone in need this past week?

**Please share with the group.**



## REFLECT (25 min)

As you've had the opportunity to reflect on what God has spoken to you through the lesson this week, consider these questions as a group and discuss them.

1. Let's be real about this. Hypocrisy is an issue in the church, and we are all guilty. We are often tempted to act like we are better than we really are. But as we see from Acts 5, putting on the "spiritual show" will lead to a spiritual collapse. If your private life was going to be exposed tomorrow what would you change today?

***"Some men's sins are clearly evident, preceding them to judgment, but those of some men follow later."***

1 Timothy 5:24

2. It's easy to wear a spiritual mask at church to appear godlier than we really are. And yet, church should be a place that fosters transparency, acceptance, help and healing. This is a strong benefit of the Body of Christ. Why do people feel the need to wear spiritual masks? How can we work on making CCLV healthier in transparency, and helping the struggling or the hurting?

***It's impossible for us to glorify God while we live as hypocrites.***

3. God loves us enough to reveal our sin, which should lead us to repentance and victorious Christian living.
  - Describe repentance.
  - What place should repentance have in your relationship with God?
  - How do you overcome temptation and sin?
  - Does God always provide a way out?
4. Identify areas of victory in your life and praise God for all that He has done!



## REACH (5 min)

Considering what God revealed to you this week, ask God to show you the areas of compromise in your life. Repent of the compromise, choose obedience and believe that God is going to supply the strength for victory

**Next week we will be anxiously waiting to hear how God gave you the victory to overcome temptation and sin in your life!**