



## The Church is made of sinners.



### Key truths:

1. The Church is full of sinners

2. Without Christ, I am disobedient.

3. Everyone is a sinner.



### Discussion Starters:

1. Why does Paul say we were dead? What does it mean?
2. Can DEAD people help themselves? Fix problems? Just make better choices? Work on being kinder or more obedient? (Pause for kids) No. Dead people are stuck! We cannot help ourselves! Can you guess the next part of the story?
  - For Youth: How do these verses enhance your understanding of God's grace?
3. Think of a time when God made you aware of your sin. What happened? How did God rescue you? We must see how stuck we are to understand how much we need Jesus!
  - For Youth: What three forces does this text identify, that are contributing to the sinful impulses of human beings?
  - For Youth: In what ways should these verses impact the way we think about unbelievers? How should these verses change the way we approach sharing our faith?

**"But God, being rich in mercy, because of the great love with which he loved us, even when we were dead in our trespasses, made us alive together in Christ -- by grace you have been saved--" (Ephesians 2:4-5)**

