



## Hypocritical People

### Introduction

The negative neighbor. The critical co-worker. The manipulative family member. You haven't seen these people in a year and now you're working next to them and seeing them at thanksgiving. We all have difficult people in our lives. Let's learn how we can live with—and show love to people that are hard to love.

### Pray

Don't forget that if anything significant happens, it's because God moved. Start by asking God to bless this time.

### Practice Truth

1. How would you define hypocrisy in your own words?
2. What's the opposite of a hypocrite?
3. Do you think that Christian hypocrisy is holding back our witness? Why/why not?
4. Why is it important to know why someone acts a certain way before we respond to them?
5. What's a good example of confronting someone with the goal of restoration?
6. Have you ever been part of a healthy confrontation that led to restoration? What made it work?

#### Leader's Tip

Do things outside of group time. When you take the group outside of your meeting night and outside of your living room relationships will grow deeper, faster.

### Do Life Together

Our two key prayers this week are: "God, help me to confront with a heart to restore" and "God, help me to see when I'm the hypocrite". When have you discovered hypocrisy in your own life? What did or will you do about it?