

WEEK 4

AT HOME GUIDE

ORIGIN STORY

When we think about heroes, we often think about saving the world in big ways — like defeating evil aliens or preventing villains from destroying a city. But in real life, being a hero is more about what you do in ordinary moments. Heroes are known for righting wrongs, but sometimes the hardest wrongs to right are the wrongs we've caused. In the book of James, we're told to confess our wrongs to each other so that we can be healed, but that takes big courage. Real heroism isn't about extraordinary acts of sacrifice or dramatic moments of bravery. So this week, let's do something heroic. Let's choose to reconcile with someone we've hurt, and right a wrong that we've caused, because heroes are heroic in ordinary moments.

THIS WEEK

THE BIG IDEA

Heroes are heroic in ordinary moments.

THE BIBLE

Luke 10:25-37; Deuteronomy 6:4-5; John 5:6; Matthew 4:18, 9:36; Colossians 3:12-14

- How would you define "reconciliation"? How is reconciliation different from simply apologizing or forgiving?
- When is the last time you had to reconcile with someone? How did it go?
- What do you think is the most difficult thing about reconciliation?
- Why do you think reconciliation is heroic?
- How is reconciling with someone we've hurt similar to the story of the good Samaritan? How is it different?
- Why is it important to "see" the person we've hurt in order to reconcile with them? What do we need to "see"?
- Why do you think it's sometimes difficult to see the way we've hurt or wronged others?
- What are some ways we can begin to see the hurt we've caused others more clearly?
- Read Colossians 3:12-14. What does this passage teach you about reconciliation?
- Is there someone you need to apologize to? Who is it, and what steps are you going to take this week to reconcile with them?