

# SPRING CLEANING

LETTING GOD INTO EVERY ROOM IN YOUR LIFE

*Week 3: Deep Cleaning*

## **Growth Group Opener:**

**What is the worst stain you've ever tried to get out of something?**

***Read Psalm 51:1-9; 1 John 1:5-10***

How would you describe David's relationship with God, based on this Psalm?

What was David's first instinct in v1-12 after being confronted with his sin?

In v10, he asked God to create in him, not to help him build. Why does this matter?

The Hebrew word for "create" in v10 is the same word used in Genesis 1.

What is David acknowledging by using that word?

What happens when we try to clean up what only God can recreate?

Reread 1 John 1:7-9. What pattern does it describe?

**When we live our lives as described here, it says the blood of Jesus purifies us from all sin and all unrighteousness. The Greek word for "all" signifies erasing sin and unrighteousness in their entirety, continually, and for always.**

What comfort do you take knowing there is no exception clause to what is covered?

We often place sin in categories like respectable, lifestyle, minor, or deep, as though some require less of Jesus than others. Why is this dangerous? What could this do to: ...our experience of grace for ourselves? ...the way we view grace for others?

***Make It Personal:*** Is there anything in your life you have stopped bringing to God because you think it's too deep, too old, too repeated, or too shameful? What would change if you believed the blood of Jesus has already reached it? *Share with a godly friend or your growth group if you feel comfortable.*

What do we learn about God in these passages?

Is there anything you feel the Holy Spirit inviting you to look at more closely?

**This week:** Read Psalm 51:1-10 out loud as a prayer daily, repeating v10 as many times as you need.

## **Prayer:**

Father, we are so thankful for your ability to create something out of nothing. We invite you to create clean hearts in each of us. Purify us and shape us more and more into the image of your son, as you fill us with your Spirit. In the name of Jesus, amen.