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Discussion
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"WHAT IS AUTHENTICITY?"

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MC3SITY IS AUTHENTICITY & GRACE-CENTRICITY.

WE ARE REAL & WE ACCEPT YOU.

The Repeats (required)

They are the same, but *WE* change, so please discuss these with your group

- [Share the announcements (on FB thread) with your group]
- As we did last week, we're going to *open* by sharing God Moments about what He is doing in our lives, but save our prayer requests for the END of Pr'me. Go around and share your God Moments: how have you seen God working, either in your life or in the life of another over the past week? [Leaders: plan for a way to collect prayer requests at the end, then share them with your Pr'me]
- Is there anything that you want to share that has stood out to you so far from the current Point series?

The Reminder (required)

Read this section briefly to review the Point for everyone

- This Week's Point:
mc3sity is authenticity & grace-centricity:
We are real & we accept you.
- This Week's Object Lesson:
masks
- This Week's Bible Passage & Focus Verse: John 8:2-11
"Then neither do I condemn you," Jesus declared. "Go now and leave your life of sin." (v. 11, NIV)

The Reflection (required)

Discuss these to go deeper, *and more personal*, into applying the Point

- [To introduce the topic of masks, show a YouTube clip or two of funny mask scare pranks. NOTE: Be sure to preview them for content first!]
- Set up this week's discussion by having someone read **John 8:2-11**.
- In the Point we heard that masks are *covers for authenticity* (v. 3). Do you think people "wear masks" in life? **Why do people wear masks? What things have you seen people hide by wearing masks?**
- In v.7, Jesus exposed the masks of the religious leaders by showing grace. Compare that with how the leaders treated the woman (v. 5).
- If this were you, who's response would you prefer?
- While Jesus *was* accepting of the woman, He confronted her sin in v. 11b. **Would it have been loving for Jesus to ignore her sin? Why/not**
- **With all this in mind, how should we respond to the masks of others?**
- **When have you succeeded in this? When have you failed?**
- **Share which mask(s) you are wearing, and explain what it looks like:**
 - The Perfection Mask [Barbie] - you've got it all together!
 - The Popularity Mask [TBD] - always needing to sit at the cool table.
 - The Doer Mask [Bob the Builder] - you don't need anyone's help!
 - The Victim Mask [Charlie Brown] - everything bad happens TO you.
 - The Rebel Mask [TBD] - you're just a bad person, beyond rescue.
 - [Another mask??]
- In the Point, we learned that *masks keep people from coming to Jesus* (Read Ephesians 2:8-9) and they *keep people from growing in Jesus* (Read Galatians 1:10). **Be honest with yourself, where are your mask(s) holding you back: Coming to Jesus or Growing in Him?**
- **What will it take for you to remove the mask(s)?**
- **How can our Pr'me help you remove the mask(s)?**