



SMALL GROUP LEADER GUIDE

SHAMELESS | WEEK 3

BOTTOM LINE

CHOOSE TO CHANGE YOU.

GOAL OF SMALL GROUP

TO HELP STUDENTS UNDERSTAND THAT CHANGING THEMSELVES IS A FAR BETTER USE OF THEIR TIME THAN JUDGING AND SHAMING OTHERS.

SCRIPTURE

MATTHEW 7:3

"Why do you look at the speck of sawdust in your brother's eye and pay no attention to the plank in your own eye?"

FROM THE TENSION

1. What are some ways people shame other people?
2. Why is it tempting to talk about or make fun of someone who messed up?

FROM THE TRUTH

3. Why is it easier to talk about others' mistakes than it is to talk about our own?
4. Why do you think Jesus said to take care of the plank in your own eye first?
5. How can dealing with your own problems help you to see others' problems differently?

FROM THE APPLICATION

6. How do you think it would change the way you see others if you prayed for them before you talked about them?
7. What would you do differently if you decided to show grace to someone instead of judgment?

NEXT STEP

Small group leaders, lead your groups in a time of prayer. Have them pray silently for someone that they're tempted to judge or make fun of.