



REEL Christmas Week 2

Small Group Guide

KEY TEXTS

Matthew 1:1-18

THE POINT

Christmas means that no matter where you come from or what you've done, God can still use you.

LEADER NOTES

We want to help students understand that we've all done stupid stuff. We've all messed up. We all have messed up families. In spite of all that, God still chooses to use messed up people and families.

Ask the Following Questions:

1. Have you ever received a "brag letter" or seen some pretty ridiculous "brag posts" on social media?
2. What is the coolest "random fact" about your family history?
3. What's something that stood out to you during tonight's talk?

Have a student read Matthew 1:1-18 18 (yes...all the crazy names).

4. Why is this passage so important? (Leader hint: It's Jesus' introduction into the world!)
5. What stands out the most when you read this passage from Matthew?
6. Anybody have a messed up family?
7. Why do we sometimes think that God can't use us because of our past mistakes?
8. If the Christmas story really is the greatest story ever told....why is it so scary for us to talk to our friends and family about Jesus?

Challenge: Christmas means that no matter where you come from or what you've done, God can still use you.

Take prayer requests and close in prayer.