I'm Just... Part 5: I'm Just Me

Objective: To encourage us to develop the habit of being surrendered and available to God.

Read together:

Brothers and sisters, think of what you were when you were called. Not many of you were wise by human standards; not many were influential; not many were of noble birth. 27 But God chose the foolish things of the world to shame the wise; God chose the weak things of the world to shame the strong. 28 God chose the lowly things of this world and the despised things—and the things that are not—to nullify the things that are, 29 so that no one may boast before him. 30 It is because of him that you are in Christ Jesus, who has become for us wisdom from God—that is, our righteousness, holiness and redemption.31 Therefore, as it is written: "Let the one who boasts boast in the Lord."

I Corinthians 1:26-31

- Why do you think we have such a fascination with famous and/or influential people in our culture? Do you think that fascination is healthy or not? Why?
- Why do you think we give more weight to the opinions of people who are famous our influential?
- Do you think it is possible to have a genuine and lasting impact on the world without being a person of power, fame, or influence?
- When you think of being surrendered to God, what comes to your mind? What do you think of when you think about being available to God?
- In Matthew 5:16, Jesus said, "let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven." What do you think that looks like in the day to day life of follower of Jesus. How would that look for a parent or an employee or a neighbor, etc.?
- Pastor Steve said, "God can do more with a surrendered nobody than he can with an unsurrendered somebody". Does that encourage you? How so?

Final Thought: What can you do this week to develop and attitude of surrender and availability before God?