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HEROES

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In the grand scope of the God's story, there are a few who get most of the press. However, behind the scenes, God often employs those whose stories may not receive as much adulation — weaving their actions into the tapestry of His divine plan. Unsung heroes — while often unnoticed — have an impact echoing throughout eternity.

Group Discussion

Getting started: What are you most looking forward to this summer?

1. Read **Acts 8:26-39**. What stood out to you and challenged you from the message?
2. In what ways would the Ethiopian have been an outsider to the religious people in Jerusalem? When have you felt like an outsider? What people do you think feel like they aren't welcome in the church today? What can we do to change that belief?
3. How can we be more like Philip in the way he ran toward outsiders? How can we grow in our grace towards others?
4. Read **Isaiah 53:4-6**. What are the messes that Jesus has saved you from? What are the messes that you still need to allow Him to clean up?
5. Read **Isaiah 56:3-5**. How do you think the Ethiopian felt when he read these words? Who are the messy people in your life that you need to learn how to love? How does the simple fact that Jesus loves you in your mess help you do this?

Next Steps

- **The antidote to messy, is compassion.** Jesus showed us this on the cross. Where can you show compassion by stepping into the mess with people?

Resources

- *The Ragamuffin Gospel* by Brennan Manning
- *Messy Spirituality* by Mike Yaconelli

Next Week

We will continue our six-week sermon series *Unsung Heroes* by looking at *The Encouragement of Barnabas*.

- **Jasper:** 8, 9:30, and 11 a.m. EDT.
- **Loogootee:** 9 and 10:30 a.m. EDT.
- **Tell City:** 8:30 and 10 a.m. CDT.

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