

# SMALL GROUP: MIDDLE SCHOOL

COMPARISON TRAP:  
LOOKING AROUND

XP3

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**BOTTOM LINE: TAKE YOUR CUE ABOUT YOU FROM THE ONE WHO MADE YOU.**

## SCRIPTURE REFERENCES:

*But when the set time had fully come, God sent his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, to redeem those under the law, that we might receive adoption to sonship. Because you are his sons, God sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, the Spirit who calls out, "Abba, Father." (Galatians 4:4-6 NIV)*

## GOAL OF SMALL GROUP:

**To help students recognize the freedom they experience when they stop living based on other people's opinions; and to help them understand God's opinions of them.**

*Create meaningful conversation. Adjust questions as needed, and don't feel like you need to answer all of them.*

## FROM THE TENSION

1. Name one person in your life that you wish would say, "You're awesome."
2. Name one achievement that you think will help you keep up with people around you.

## FROM THE TRUTH

3. What do you think God thinks about you? (Leaders, encourage your students to be real, and not just give the answer they think you want to hear).
4. How does that affect the way you see yourself?
5. We said, "Who does your Heavenly Father compare you to? Nobody." Do you agree with that? Why or why not?

## FROM THE APPLICATION

6. What would you do differently today if you only cared about God's opinion?

## NEXT STEP

*Leaders, ask your students to think about somebody who takes their cue from them. Ask your students if they're treating that "somebody" the way God wants them to.*