

# WEEK 1

## SMALL GROUP GUIDE

# ORIGIN STORY

Whether the cause is a radioactive spider bite or a nuclear explosion, every superhero has an origin story – a moment when they begin to discover how they're uniquely equipped to help save the world. You probably don't have the power of flight or the ability to shoot energy beams out of your fists, but in this 4-week series you'll see that you have the potential to help save the world too, when you **embrace who God made you to be, care for the people in front of you, rely on your team, and are heroic in ordinary situations.**

## THIS WEEK

### THE BIG IDEA

Heroes embrace who God made them to be.

### THE BIBLE

Genesis 1:26–27; Colossians 1:15-17, 2:6-15;  
I Corinthians 12:12-31

- **Name a real person who you think is heroic. What makes them a hero?**
- **When you were little, what kind of hero did you dream about becoming? What do you think those dreams reveal about who you are?**
- **What do you think it means to be made in the image of God? Why is it important to believe you were made in the image of God?**
- **Why is it important to believe other people are made in the image of God? When is it most difficult for you to remember or believe that?**
- **Let's list some of the characteristics of God. On a scale of 1-5, how well do you exhibit each of these characteristics? Do you think you could ever exhibit these characteristics perfectly? Why or why not?**
- **How does Jesus help us look more like the image of God?**
- **Read I Corinthians 12:12-31. What can this passage teach us about embracing who God made us to be?**
- **What are some of your "super powers" – the things that make you unique?**
- **What do you think one of your "missions" is – a problem you feel called to solve?**
- **This week, what's one way you're going to embrace who God made you to be?**

## ACTIVITY

Gather in a circle with your arms around each other. Take turns praying for everyone in the group out loud. Be sure each person praying thanks God for the way someone in the group is uniquely made, **listing at least two specific things that could be their "superpowers."**