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Responding Together:

Invite everyone to sit quietly for about 30 seconds and reflect on one area where they feel tempted to perform, pretend, or justify themselves. Then lead them in this guided prayer:

Jesus, thank you that your love for us is not based on performance. You see past our image and into our hearts—and you still invite us close. Enable us to stop pretending and to receive your grace honestly. Teach us humility, compassion, and self-giving love. And help us to become the kind of people who point others to you, not to ourselves. Amen.

Moving Forward:

This week, pay attention to where you're tempted to manage appearances instead of honestly bringing your heart to Jesus. Ask God to reveal any places where pride, comparison, judgment, or insecurity have quietly shaped your faith. Instead of striving to prove yourself, receive his grace again, and look for one opportunity to extend that same grace freely to someone else.