

**HEROES REPRESENT THE BEST
OF WHAT IT MEANS
TO BE US
AS OPPOSED
TO THEM**



2/25/18

GRAB GATHER GROW

Us, Them, and the Body of Christ

Grab this study, gather a few people, and grow in faith

SCRIPTURE

(read over the scripture together)

Galatians 3:28

There is no longer Jew or Greek, there is no longer slave or free, there is no longer male and female; for all of you are one in Christ Jesus.

OPENING PRAYER

Holy God, you have called us together as your people. In Jesus we have been made one body, united in heart, mind, mission, and service. We are humbly committed to submitting ourselves to one another and to you. You have called us to do justice, love mercy, and walk according to your way. We also ask that you would help us see how you have brought us together as a beautifully diverse community that seeks to honor and glorify the one Lord, Jesus Christ. Our differences are a gift from you. Help us also to love our neighbors, so that they might taste and see that you are good. We ask these things in Jesus' name.

Amen.

DISCUSSION (one or two or ...)

**Where do you see that there still is Jew vs. Greek; slave vs. free; male vs. female in our neighborhoods? The Metro? Our Church? Our Schools? At Work?
How do we help us all become *one in Christ Jesus*.**

In a heroic moment, Wonder Woman made history in 2017 as the very first female character to headline a solo live-action movie. She appears as a powerful woman in defiance of evil, despotic men as she moves through the trenches of World War I and deflects the bullets of German soldiers. In her efforts to stop the war, Wonder Woman works to create communion where there is division. How do we follow her lead and create communion out of division?

Discuss the following quote ... "It's a wonder I haven't abandoned all my ideals, they seem so absurd and impractical. Yet I cling to them, because I still believe, in spite of everything, that people are truly good at heart." - Anne Frank .

Who are the heroes in the Brooklyns? The Metro? Whose personality sets the standard for what it means to be part of our community? Reflect on our local culture and what makes it unique. How does our regional culture define “us” and “them.”

SERVE

Take time this week to have a conversation with someone different from yourself!

Change for Change this Week: Youth Mission Trip.

Save your change this week, or make a special donation, to this unique experience for our youth. Our middle schoolers will be traveling to Duluth, MN and our senior high are traveling to Nashville, TN. Both teams will be the hands of God in those communities and share with others why we are the heart of the Brooklyns.



FAITH
share read talk pray bless



AT HOME THIS WEEK

Share your High and Low of the day; read the daily scripture; talk about it; pray about each others highs and lows, and at the end of the day, bless each other with the blessing below or one of your own.

SUNDAY: Galatians 3:28

MONDAY: I Corinthians 12:24-25

TUESDAY: John 15:15-16

WEDNESDAY: Matthew 28:17

THURSDAY: Luke 7:27

FRIDAY: Genesis 28:16

SATURDAY: Philippians 4:12-13 (3/4/18 sermon Text)

BLESSING: “May you always see yourself, and all others, as a child of God.”