

TED TALKS: THE BOOK OF LASSO | WEEK #07

Meet Colin and Isaac | October 22nd

WHAT'S THE ISSUE ANYWAY?

Our cultures create _____.

Our stigmas create _____.

Our secrets create _____.

Stigma, shame, and secrets lead to social _____

and inner _____.

WHAT WISDOM DOES SCRIPTURE OFFER US?

Jesus championed _____.

Jesus turns those people (the Samaritans) into _____ heroes. Luke 17:30-37

Jesus turns those people (the poor) into _____ heroes. Luke 12:41-44

Jesus turned those people (sinners) into _____ heroes. Luke 7:36-50

DON'T MISS THIS!

Jesus revealed that “those people” in his culture were _____ of God.

HOW CAN I LIVE THIS IN MY EVERYDAY, NORMAL LIFE?

Remember God is in _____ those people.

Destroying stigma requires _____ connecting with those people's _____.

HOW DOES THIS MAKE ME A BETTER PERSON AND THE WORLD A BETTER PLACE?

_____ heals broken hearts and unlocks the shackles of shame.

When we live in solidarity with “those people,” we become icons of _____.

WHAT IS GOD INVITING YOU INTO TODAY?

1. Consider who “the others” are in my life and become an ally.
2. Volunteer with one of our Partners in Hope who serve people suffering from a societal stigma.
3. Memorize the blessing of Jesus for the stigmatized found in Matthew 5:1-12.

THOUGHT PROVOKING QUESTIONS:

1. What are some cultural stigmas that you grew up with from your religious culture or broader culture itself?
2. Have you ever suffered under a stigma and felt the pain of isolation because of it?
3. Why do you think Jesus chose people who lived under societal stigmas as heroes of the story?
4. Do you think Jesus' culture placed a stigma on him?
5. What are some of the current stigmas in our society and how can you emotionally connect with people suffering from them?
6. What does it mean to be an ally to people suffering under a social stigma?

