

## Straighten Up!

Sometimes we're willing to be bad to keep from looking bad. But when we're more concerned about our reputations than our integrity, we eventually damage both.

## **Discussion Questions**

- 1. Have you ever compromised your integrity to protect your reputation as someone who has integrity? If it's something you're comfortable sharing, what happened?
- 2. In general, **what guides you** when it comes to life decisions and goals? It should be our integrity, but we don't know if it really guides us until maintaining our integrity costs us. Could any of these things be above your integrity?

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- 3. What has been most helpful as it relates to maintaining your personal integrity?
- 4. Is there a situation where your lack of integrity has been exposed, but you've not come clean? Are you willing to go to the other person and own up to it?
- 5. Would you commit **Proverbs 11:3** to memory?

The integrity of the upright will guide them, but the crookedness of the treacherous will destroy them. (Proverbs 11:3, NASB)