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*At the Movies, pt.3: Deep Longing*

**Icebreaker:** Did you have a favorite toy growing up and why was it your favorite? (Ex: Barbie, G.I. Joe, My Little Pony, Transformers, Dora the Explorer, He-Man, JEM, Pokemon, or any other toy)

1. What is it about the human heart and the human spirit that longs for perfection (things to be right, things to work, things the way it should be)?
2. Like Barbie, have you experienced the reality that life's not perfect? What is a recent circumstance or situation you are going through that reminded you of this reality?
3. Read Genesis 2:7-25; Genesis 3:6-7; 22-23. Adam and Eve were created to live in a perfect world, and soon after they disobeyed God's command, their eyes were open to the knowledge of good and evil. Why was it an act of grace for God to banish Adam and Eve from the Garden?
4. We currently live in between two gardens (Garden of Eden and a future Garden/Paradise). Like Barbie, we find ourselves living in a dilemma of what it means to do life in an imperfect world. How can we make sense of the disappointments we face in life, and stop expecting perfection from ourselves, our spouses, our kids, our jobs, our church, and our relationships? (Hint: Read Matthew 26:36-39)

**Application:** Is there an area of your life where you need to surrender your idea of what perfection and good looks like to the Lord? In other words, much like Jesus going to the cross, is there an area of your life you need to surrender to His will and accept His goodness for your life, even if it doesn't align with your ideas of what good looks like?

**\*\*\* Our deep longing for perfection is God's way of drawing us back to Him - The only one who is perfect!**

