“When Superpowers Are Not Enough”

What do Antman, Catwoman, and the Guardians of the Galaxy have in common? They all have a criminal record. And they all struggled to overcome the impact that record created. If it’s hard for superheroes, how much more difficult is it for the average person? Doug will explore the impact of a criminal record as seen in several Marvel Comics movies, including Antman, The Dark Knight Rises (featuring Anne Hathaway as Catwoman), and Guardians of the Galaxy.

“Grand Canyon: Fear vs. Possibility – A 90’s Movie Worth Re-visiting”

“Grand Canyon” the movie metaphorically uses the Grand Canyon to illustrate two opposing propositions. First, it describes the chasm between the haves and the have-nots and the pain, suffering, and rage in our society. Secondly, the movie accentuates the Grand Canyon as a place that helps us understand our place in the universe. Using crime as a catalyst, the movie explores how a variety of characters react to difficult life situations. Doug will discuss how the movie frames two alternatives as a response to pain and suffering – fear or mutuality.

“Misérables Meets Collateral Consequences”

This movie, which focuses on the struggles of ex-convict Jean Valjean and his experience of redemption, gives Doug a chance to explore how grace, justice and the different types of love are relevant to today’s moral practice of law.

“Lost Lessons From Groundhog Day”

Doug uses this comedy about a man who is forced to relive one day over and over again, as a launching point to discuss the potential for personal and relational transformation through public engagement and service to the poor.

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