

Midweek Heads Up

Wednesday, September 14th - 2022

Night's Flow -> Eat 6:10 -> Announce/Challenge 6:50 -> Worship 7:00 -> Lesson/Small Groups 7:15

01

Big Ideas for the Night

ENGAGE STUDENTS IN A DIALOGUE ABOUT GOD'S WORD

God's word is PERSONAL, TRUSTWORTHY & TRUE, REAL

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Teaching Time

Wk. 3 Pre-game - Tools & Equipment

Big Idea: The Bible is our GUIDE, but yes sometimes we have questions. We BELIEVE it is God's PERSONAL communication with humanity, it is TRUSTWORTHY & TRUE, it can make sense in REAL everyday life.

The Flow:

Intro (in our small group areas) (i.e.) We're going to watch a video with some students in it who maybe aren't all that different than you all or at least with some common questions. Listen in and see if you are maybe in the same boat...

Small Group Discussion

Dive into the ?'s from the discussion sheet attached with some suggestions on how you could engage. Make it your own and your group's speed.

Extro/Challenge

If you have an idea for your group to do something unique to them that carries this experience into the week, either hands on or as a weekly challenge go for it.

OR

Let them know they can follow along for a deeper look this week with the handout we'll have also the Week's graphic (4X6 photo) will have a link.

02

Tasks we're trying to tackle:

- Still getting student's pictures and basic details at door
- Students signed up for TEXT list.
- Small Groups further distilled

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SMALL GROUPS

Small Group Guide ATTACHED and in message LINKS.

Will be a TV with video on it in each group room. Will try to watch video in our "groups"

05

Student Announce

06 Handouts/Resources

- Night's Graphic
- Deeper Link Card with links to things to check out/read in next week

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Week's ahead...

- Sept. 21st - MCC Ambassadors to help host & deliver message
- Sept. 24th (Sat.) National Day of Volunteer Youth Ministry Training @ UCC, 9-12, More info? See Luke.
- NEXT SERIES: The Bigger Story (Creation / Fall / Redemption / Restoration), 4 wks following
- Fall Shindig - 26th, ck your Calendar!

SMALL GROUP

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Note from Luke:

This is one of those instances where there is LOTS of content at your fingertips if you want it, BUT not tons of time to sift. Use what you have the best you feel led. No one is expecting miracles or pressuring you to prep hours on end. At the end of the day we are making space for DIALOGUE and REMINDING students what we BELIEVE about scripture around here and even WHY we think they can trust it too.

Provided Small Group discussion ?'s*

- Is the Bible historically reliable? What about variations and contradictions found in biblical manuscripts?
- Do we have any proof that events described in the Bible really happened?
- What makes the Bible unique in a literary sense?
- Aren't the characters in the Bible "too good to be true?"
- Is the Bible really relevant today--does it speak to my life?

*There are a handful of pages of notes that go with these 5 questions (attached below). They are here to peruse OR you can share how you've made sense/dealt with it. Don't feel like you've got to recite or read word for word, but if you find a quote or explanation particularly compelling share it too. Show you are learning along side them.

Some alternate approaches that might help

(With the 5 questions in front of students...)

Which of these questions have you found yourself thinking?

What are some questions they missed?

How important is this question to you (whichever question being discussed, 1-10 on your fingers)?

Which character is most "you" in the film?

As a VOLUNTEER, how have you come to grips with #1-4 in your life?

As a VOLUNTEER, how has God's word played a REAL part or made SENSE in your life (everyday example, crisis, etc.)?

Scripture pleads its own case: Matthew 4:4, Matthew 22:34-40, Hebrews 4:12, 2 Timothy 2:15 & 3:16-17, 2 Peter 1:16-18. What does scripture claim it is able to do?