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Engage Week Leader Guide

Engage Week: A time for students to engage their school with the gospel.

CLUB TIME PREP:

- Confirm your student or guest speaker and remind them to be prepared to share the gospel and an invitation to accept Christ. Gospel presentation options can be found at firstpriority.club
- Confirm that student follow up cards have been printed and will be ready to hand out to students as they enter your meeting space. Faculty sponsors can print for you if requested in advance.
- Confirm that arrangements for food for the club have been completed and that it is ready to serve just before club opening.

INTRODUCTION: 3 minutes

- Allow students to fellowship as student leaders prepare the group activity.

Welcome Students and Pray

- **Assigned Student Leader Host:** "Welcome to First Priority! Today we are going to start with a game to get to know one another. There is food for everyone here, so please feel free to grab a bite to eat while we get started."



GROUP ACTIVITY TIME: 5 minutes

- Game: **Backward Charades**
- Preparation: You will only need a white board and a dry-erase marker.
- Play: Form two teams. You will need to select a guesser from each team. They will go up onto the stage and face their team, looking away from the whiteboard. When ready to start, write the first word on the whiteboard large enough so that all members of the teams can see it. As soon as the word is written, the remaining members of each team begin acting it out in order to help the guesser figure out what the word is. The first team to get their guesser to say the word correctly, is awarded a point and the game continues until one team reaches 10 points. There are a few very important rules that need to be followed:

1. The guesser may not turn around to look at the word on the whiteboard
2. None of the actors can make any type of sound effects
3. No pointing out or drawing out any letters or words
4. Actors may use any props that can be found in the room

Here are a few suggestions for words to guess: Bank, Bees, Olympics, Hockey, Marathon, Rodeo, Sprinkler, Washing dishes, Justin Bieber Concert, Bowling, Church, Tarzan, Google, Tooth Fairy, Mime, Unicorn, Your Campus Coach

GROUP TIME: GOSPEL (15 minutes)

Introduce Speaker Sharing the Gospel

- **Student Leader Host:** "Today, my friend, _____, is going to share about something that is very important to them. Please listen respectfully, as it takes a lot of courage to speak in front of others. You all were given a student response card that looks like this (hold up a sample card) when you came in. Just hold on to it and we will explain them to you shortly."

Gospel, Invitation, and Response Cards

- **Gospel Presenter:** Share the gospel and give a personal invitation using "Appendix B Sample Gospel Presentation" or another gospel presentation at FirstPriority.club.

INVITATION & STUDENT RESPONSE CARDS: 5 minutes

Opportunity to connect to Jesus

- If everyone would just take a minute and think about what I shared today. If you would like to have a relationship with Jesus today, then simply take a minute where you are and let Him know that. Then, on your response card, simply let us know that you made that decision today so that we can connect with you and answer any questions you may have to celebrate your new life in Jesus.
- If you are not interested in having a relationship with Jesus at this time, it's ok to be honest and mark that on your student response card. The great thing about Jesus is that He died on the cross for us out of love knowing that some would not love Him back. That is not to make you feel bad, but to let you know that Jesus still loves you and died for you and cares for you no matter what you write on that card. No one here will judge you.
- If you have questions and don't know what you want or feel, mark that on your student card so we can connect with you and just listen to what you have to say. We would love to help you find answers to your questions.



Opportunity to connect to a local youth group

- We also want to make sure to give everyone an opportunity to connect with a local youth group if you are not involved in one right now. Could each of you please mark your level of interest in connecting with a local youth group? Also, if you are already connecting with a local youth group, we want to know so we can help you invite other students to join you.

WRAP UP & PRAYER: 2 minutes

- As we wrap up, I want to close in prayer, but first I wanted you to know that _____ is available to connect with you if you have questions today. Also, the response cards can be given to _____ and will only be used for follow up requests. Thank you for coming today and please join with me as I close us out in prayer thanking God for His love for all of us today.
- **Student Leader Host:** Thank you so much for coming today! Please turn in your card to _____ before you leave. We meet here every week at this time, so you are all invited to come back next week.

Appendix B

SAMPLE GOSPEL PRESENTATION

(Begin the presentation by sharing a short version of your testimony.)

A BRAND-NEW LIFE

THE BROKEN RELATIONSHIP

God made all of creation. Everything out of nothing – that’s a miracle. Not only did God create plants, animals, and the solar system, He also created humans. From the dust of the Earth God made us. He breathed His life into us. We were given the ability to love, create, and make decisions. Most importantly, with the ability to communicate with Him.

The first people in God’s creation—Adam and Eve—had a perfect relationship with Him. This was a miracle.

However, they turned away from Him and creation fell into sin and brokenness. This resulted in separation from God and the free and full life we were intended to experience. From that moment on, humans needed a miracle. A miracle that God promised would come.

*“Look! The virgin will conceive a child! She will give birth to a son and they will call him Immanuel, which means ‘God is with us.’ **Isaiah 7:14***

THE MIRACLE

God never intended to leave us without hope. He promised that He would rescue us from our sins and restore our broken relationship with Him. The good news that Jesus would arrive was announced throughout history by kings, priests, prophets, shepherds, farmers, and common people. Jesus did not come to us in any way, He came in a miraculous way, the virgin birth. Not only was His birth a miracle, it was also a mission. A mission to rescue people from their sins. Jesus loved every person unconditionally. Because of His love for us, He died for our sins on the cross, so that we could have the gift of eternal life now and forever.

*“And she will have a son, and you are to name him Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins.” **Matthew 1:21 NLT***

Appendix B SAMPLE GOSPEL PRESENTATION (continued)

NEW LIFE IN CHRIST

Our relationship with God was broken, which caused every other aspect of our lives to be broken as well. This broken relationship brought guilt, shame, regret, and bad decisions which we call sin. Through faith in Jesus and His miraculous work for us on the cross, we are given new life. A new life that begins with a redeemed relationship with God through Jesus. We can now experience hope, forgiveness, peace, and righteousness. We can live the life that God intended full of meaning and purpose, with the hope and assurance of eternal life.

"This means that anyone who belongs to Christ has become a new person. The old life is gone; a new life has begun!" 2 Corinthians 5:17

HOW TO RECEIVE CHRIST AS SAVIOR

1. Confess your need (I am broken and in sin)
2. Change your direction in life, knowing that God's way of living is better than our way of living
3. Believe that Jesus Christ died for you on the cross and was raised to life to save you and restore your relationship to God
4. Receive through prayer the free gift of salvation and begin your journey as part of the family of God.

WHAT TO PRAY

Father God,

I know that I am broken, and I need your forgiveness. Jesus, I believe you died and were raised so I could be saved. I want to turn away from my old life and toward a completely new life with You in Your family. Right now, I put my trust in You and invite You to come into my life and change it. In Jesus' name, Amen.

