

ENGAGE WEEK “THE CONVERSATION WITH FOLLOWERS”



Engage Week

Engage your school with the Gospel story.

Do what Jesus did by sharing the Gospel story with your friends through words and actions.



Promo:

Remember to invite people.



Welcome:

Remember to create a welcoming environment.



Host

"Welcome to First Priority, we are glad you joined us! Today we are going to start off with a game to get to know each other better.



Game

Choose a game or funny video to play for 3-5 minutes to get people laughing and talking.

Say something like: "Today, my friend, _____, is going to share 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. Hold on to it and we will explain what it is for later."



Speaker



Gospel Discussion

“Rescue. Reconnect. Renew.”



Host

Invitation Options

1. Response Cards: If everyone would take a minute and think about what was shared today. If you decided to begin a relationship with Jesus today, then on your response card, simply check that box. Let us know so that we can connect with you and answer any questions you may have. If you have questions or would like us to help you find a youth group to go to, check that box and we would love to connect with you.

2. Talk/Pray with Someone: If you would like to talk to a Student Leader or have them pray with you, they would be glad to! Just catch one of them before you leave and let them know what impacted you today and how they can pray for you.



Announcements

Next week is Help Week! Start thinking now who you can invite to join you as we continue this conversation!



Pray



Follow-Up

Be available to talk or pray with people.
Ask how you can walk with them on their Jesus journey.



Leader Tip

Engage Week is an important time to help someone take their step of being a follower of Jesus.





Gospel Discussion

“Rescue. Reconnect. Renew.”

The Gospel simply means “Good News”. Throughout history, a “Gospel” would be written about someone to tell of their birth, life, and impact in the world. It also explained how that person’s life would affect yours. The Gospel of Jesus is the good news of who Jesus is and what He has done for us. His birth, life, death, and resurrection impacted the world in a major way! Jesus told us that we are created by God, valued, and loved more than we could ever dream. The Gospel is the good news that Jesus has come to rescue us, reconnect us with the Father and each other, and to make all things new.

Rescue

Jesus came to rescue us, bring us into the family of God, and make all things new. But wait, why do we need rescued? We need to be rescued because all of us have sinned. What does that mean? Sin means that we have all failed to fulfill the purpose that humans were created for. Sin has created brokenness in every area of life. We can all relate with that, right? Sin is when we make things about ourselves. It is living for ourselves, living our own way, for our fame and recognition – instead of living to love God and others and glorify God who created us. Our failures have broken the relationship between us and God - our heavenly Father. Sin has distorted our true identity, and brought brokenness into every part of our world. This is why we need rescued!

Reconnect

God created us to have a relationship with Him. Sin disconnected us. Kind of like when losing WIFI connection - the communication is broken! God came to rescue us through Jesus. Jesus lived a life without sin (failure) and totally fulfilled the purpose of God through His life, death, and resurrection. When we hear the Good News of Jesus, believe, and devote our lives to following Him, we are reconnected to God. We are reconnected to our true identity as God's children.

Renew

When you place your trust in Jesus and devote your life to following Him, you begin a new way of living. The life that God created you to live - renewed. Have you ever felt like a failure? Have you ever felt disconnected from God? Have you ever dreamed of having a life full of love, joy, purpose, and meaning? You can. The Gospel says you can be rescued, reconnected, and renewed by faith in Jesus.

Pray - God, you know that I need rescued today. Rescued from decisions I have made and things that have happened that are beyond my control. I now know that you want to rescue me, reconnect me to you, and renew me to a life of joy, purpose, and meaning. I am choosing to trust and follow you now and forever. In Jesus name, Amen.



Disciple Tip

Followers of Jesus are the body of Christ on Earth. That is why we should do what Jesus did.