

YOUTH CONNECT GROUP

Leader's Guide 2.9.20

Announcements

- 1. Mission Trips:** Both the Junior High and High School spring break mission trip sign-ups are almost full! The Junior High mission week is \$25 and will consist of serving alongside the local benevolence organizations that Crossroads supports! This is a great way to get involved right in our community! The High School mission trip will be going back to Piedras Negras, serving the school and community there in Mexico. This trip will be \$300. Fill out your online application today!
- 2. New Series:** Sunday, February 16, we are starting a new video series! We have spent some time preparing and filming fun sermons that will be entertaining, as well as God honoring! Invite your friends to come be part of Church this Sunday!

BOTTOM LINE: How do you make a good decision when you're in a bad situation?

(CARD 1) ICEBREAKER:

AROUND THE ROOM: Do you celebrate Valentines Day? Why or why not? If so, what do you do?

Have someone pray to begin your group time.

(CARD 2) HISTORICAL/GETTING TO KNOW YOU:

AROUND THE ROOM: Have you ever had to make a big decision between two choices? What helped you in making your decision?

A FEW OF YOU: Did you ultimately make the right decision? How do you know?

BIBLICAL:

Leader: On Sunday, we completed our XOXO series by interviewing a couple to find out the keys to successful relationships and how to keep Jesus at the center of it all.

(CARD 3) A FEW OF YOU: What did you think of the interview style message on Sunday?

A FEW OF YOU: Did something stand out to you from the couple's answers or the sermon points?

A FEW OF YOU: Do you think a God-honoring/Jesus first relationship is common or unique in the world we live in? Explain.

Leader: One of the realities of this life is that temptations, opportunities to sin, and bad situations are all around us. The world will offer plenty of ways to give in, but God calls us to be different, to flee from sexual immorality and to put Him first. In Genesis 39, we see a story of

someone who literally had to run from a woman who was trying to get him to give in and lay with her.

(CARD 4) SOMEONE: Read Genesis 39:6b-10

A FEW OF YOU: Can someone summarize what's happening here? (Joseph worked his way up to second in command in Potiphar's house. Potiphar's wife notices him and tries to seduce him. Joseph says no because of his relationship with Potiphar and more importantly God.)

A FEW OF YOU: Did Joseph do anything wrong? Did he get himself into this situation? What did he do right?

(CARD 5) SOMEONE: Read Genesis 39:11-15

A FEW OF YOU: Did Potiphar's wife give up when Joseph said no the first time? (No, she continued to ask him, finally physically trying to pull him into bed with her.)

A FEW OF YOU: How did Joseph get himself out of this bad situation? (He ran. He fled.)

(CARD 6) A FEW OF YOU: What are some ways we get ourselves into bad situations? (Going to the wrong places with the wrong people. Allowing boundaries to be broken. Etc.)

A FEW OF YOU: Is there something in your life that is like Potiphar's wife, always pulling at you, trying to get you to give in and sin?

AROUND THE ROOM: What do you need to do to flee from that situation? (Break up with that guy/girl, don't hang out with certain people, keep your phone in another room at night, etc.)

(CARD 7) APPLICATION:

SOMEONE: Read John 8:2-11

A FEW OF YOU: If you have already gone too far, given in to sexual sin (no matter what it was), what do you think Jesus would tell you to do today? ("Go and sin no more.")

AROUND THE ROOM: What needs to change in your life for you to fulfill this starting today?

(CARD 8) PRAYER:

(Make sure to take prayer requests before closing.)

- Ask God to show you what needs to change in your life.
- Pray for the strength to make the right decisions!

SERMON NOTES:

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1. Flee from sin
2. You belong to God
3. Honor God with your body

1 Corinthians 6:20 "For you were bought with a price. So glorify God in your body."

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