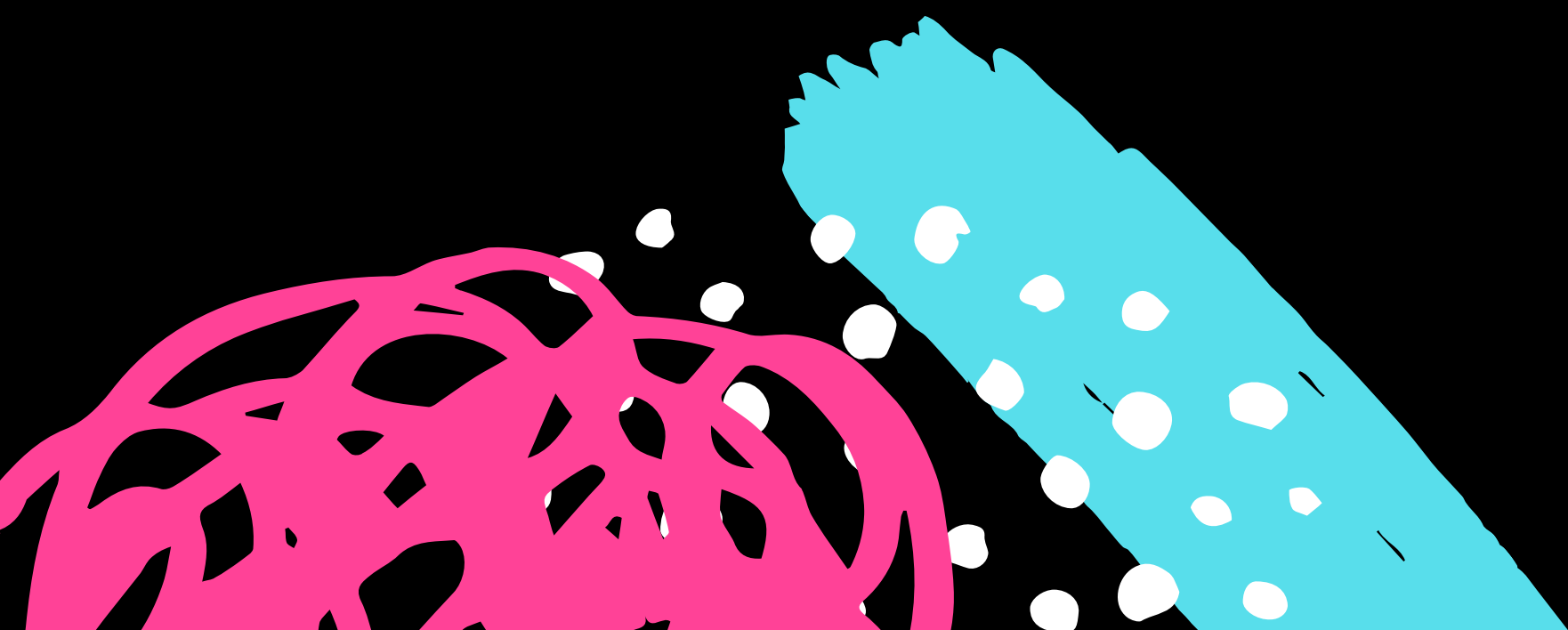


The Source

Trusting The Great
"I Am"

For Everything
I Need

Week 2: Truth & Training



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How To Lead Your YCI Club:



PLAY

Play a game together.

PRAY

Spend time praising and thanking God in prayer.

GROW

Learn from Scripture about who God says He is and how we should respond to Him.

GO

Look for opportunities to share the Gospel, and serve others in your community with your YCI club members.



PLAY

20 QUESTIONS

One YCI club member should be chosen as the "game master". It is their job to think of something (a person, place or thing). It is the job of the rest of the club to ask "yes or no" questions. As the title suggests, the group can ask a total of 20 questions.

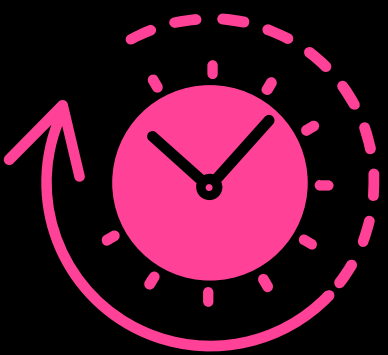
With this process of asking questions, it is the job of the club to use deduction to discover what the person is thinking of. Someone should be chosen to keep track of how many questions are asked.

If the club is able to guess correctly by asking a maximum of 20 questions, the group wins. If the group is unable to correctly guess what the person is thinking of, the game master wins. This process can be repeated with new game masters for as long as time allows.



Ask God for His will to be done in the following areas:

Club Time



Pray that God will speak to everyone in the room through His Word.

Group Needs



Take time to discuss and pray over the personal needs and requests of those in attendance.

School Community



Ask God to move in situations that are unique to your school and community.

The Source Of:

Truth

"**7** So Jesus again said to them, "Truly, truly, I say to you, ***I am the door of the sheep.*** **8** All who came before me are thieves and robbers, but the sheep did not listen to them. **9** I am the door. If anyone enters by me, he will be saved and will go in and out and find pasture."

(John 10:7-9 ESV Emphasis Added)

The Source Of:

Training

"**10** The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I came that they may have life and have it abundantly. **11** ***I am the good shepherd.*** The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. **12** He who is a hired hand and not a shepherd, who does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and flees, and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. **13** He flees because he is a hired hand and cares nothing for the sheep. **14** I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me."

(John 10:10-14 ESV Emphasis Added)



What does Jesus being "**the door of the sheep**" mean?

Jesus makes this claim during a conversation with religious leaders. He had recently restored the sight of a blind man, and this miracle caused a considerable amount of controversy. The religious leaders made the man leave the Jewish house of worship because he gave credit to Jesus. They were also offended that *he*, a man who was far less familiar with God's law, was trying to share truth with *them*. In response to their anger, Jesus tells the religious leaders that *they* are the ones who are truly blind. They thought they had a special understanding of God because of their impressive knowledge, but Jesus tells them that *He* is the only *door* to truth in this life.

What does Jesus being "**the good shepherd**" mean?

It is the job of a shepherd to lead, guide and protect their sheep. As "the good shepherd", Jesus takes this a step further by being willing to give His life for His flock (you and I). As we follow Jesus, we have the opportunity to be trained (shepherded) by Him. This requires us to surrender our own understanding and trust in His wisdom.



How To Connect With **The Source** Through **Prayer**:

When we talk to God, He is faithful to respond. He often does this through an internal "nudge" rather than His audible voice. Similar to the S.O.A.P. method of studying the Bible, the acronym A.C.T.S. (Adoration, Confession, Thanksgiving, Supplication) can be a helpful tool to strengthen your prayer life. This approach is inspired by Jesus' instructions on prayer in Matthew 6:

Adoration

Start your prayer by praising God for who He is (read the Bible to learn more about who He is).

Confession

Proceed to share about your sins and weaknesses to God (He already knows), and thank Him for already forgiving you through Jesus' finished work on the cross.

Thanksgiving

Express your gratitude to God for specific blessings in your life.

Supplication

Ask God for provision in areas where you (and others you are praying for) have need.



Consider This Before You Leave:

Big Idea

Jesus is the only source of truth, and He promises to train us in the process of being formed in His image. One way to grow closer to Him is through praying in a way that gives Him glory, communicates vulnerability, expresses gratitude and considers the needs of others.

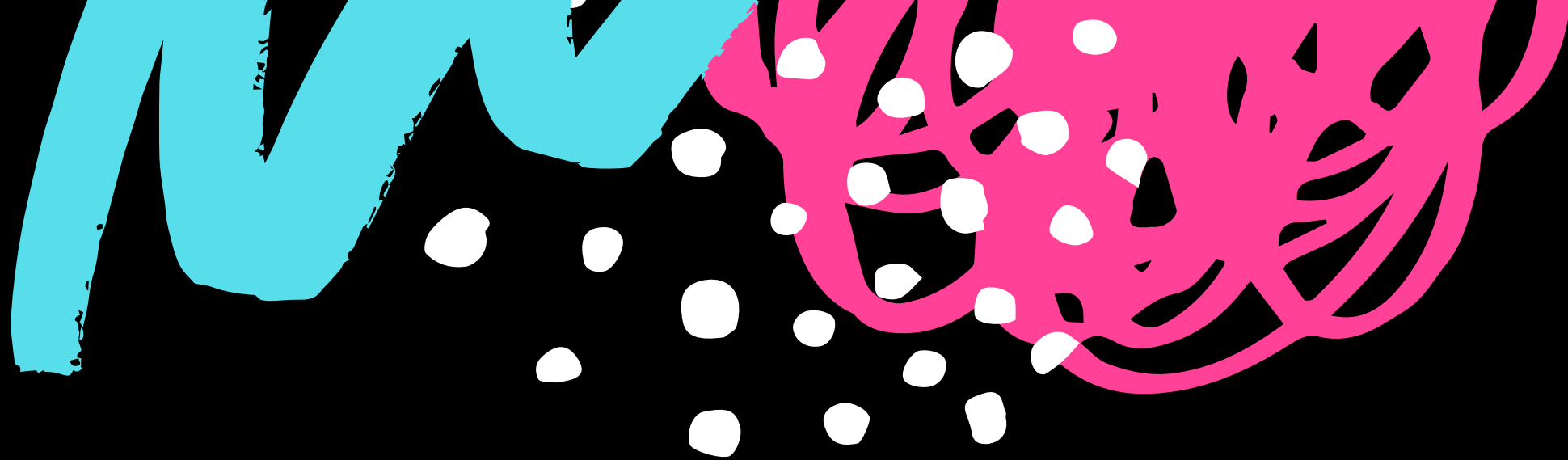
Sharing Truth

Who is someone in your life that needs to hear about what we discussed today? Pray for them, and find time this week to encourage them.

Meeting Needs

What is something your YCI club can do to show God's love this semester?





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