



# *DARKNESS TO LIGHT*

God's Will In God's Story

**WEEK 2: SEPARATION**



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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

Serve others in your community with your YCI club members.



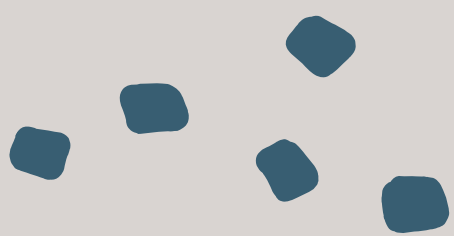
# *REVERSE CHARADES*

This twist on a classic game gets the whole group involved, and it creates a lot of energy in the room.

Divide your group into two teams, and have one volunteer from each team stand in front of the room. The game master will write a word/phrase on a whiteboard or project it onto a screen behind the two volunteers.

The audience will now act out the word or phrase, and the two volunteers have to try and be the first to correctly identify what is being acted out. The volunteer who guesses correctly first earns their team one point.

Play as many rounds as you want, and, at the end, the team with the most points wins.



*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.



# *BETWEEN TWO TREES*

*Genesis 3:20-24 ESV*

“20 The man called his wife's name Eve, because she was the mother of all living. 21 And the Lord God made for Adam and for his wife garments of skins and clothed them. 22 Then the Lord God said, “Behold, the man has become like one of us in knowing good and evil. Now, lest he reach out his hand and take also of the tree of life and eat, and live forever—” 23 therefore the Lord God sent him out from the garden of Eden to work the ground from which he was taken. 24 He drove out the man, and at the east of the garden of Eden he placed the cherubim and a flaming sword that turned every way to guard the way to the tree of life”  
(Genesis 3:20-24 ESV).



# *Truths: 3 Consequences Of The Original Sin*

GROW

## **1. SHAME (Ongoing Feeling Of Guilt Based In Our Flaws)**

After Adam and Eve ate from the Tree of the Knowledge of Good and Evil, they became aware and ashamed of their nakedness (Gen. 3:7). God, in his grace, covered them with a sacrificial animal to foreshadow the ultimate sacrifice of the spotless lamb (Jesus) on the cross that would take place thousands of years later.

## **2. SEPARATION (Blocked From The Tree Of Life)**

The banishment of Adam and Eve from the Garden of Eden was actually an act of grace. God was preventing them from eating from the Tree of Life because it would cause them to live forever in their sin (Gen. 3:22).

## **3. SEED (Promise Of The Savior To Come)**

The rest of the Bible between this moment and Jesus' crucifixion is the story of God's people trying to get back to the "Tree of Life". In his comments to the serpent, God said, "I will put enmity between you and the woman, and between your offspring and her offspring; he shall bruise your head, and you shall bruise his heel" (Gen. 3:15 ESV).

The "Seed" that will "bruise the head" of the serpent is Jesus. He conquered the enemy on the cross, the ultimate Tree of Life.



# *CONSIDER THIS BEFORE YOU LEAVE*

## **1. BIG IDEA**

Adam and Eve's sin led to them being separated from the Tree of Life. To make matters worse, every human to follow (including us) would now be born separated from God in sin. The journey of God's people from Genesis 3 to Jesus' crucifixion is the story of humanity coming back to the Tree of Life (the cross).

## **2. 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.

## **3. MEETING NEEDS**

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



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