

The Source

Trusting The Great **"I Am"** For Everything I Need

Week 4: Strength & Stability



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How To Lead Your YCI Club:



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Play a game together.

PRAY

Spend time praising and thanking God in prayer.

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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



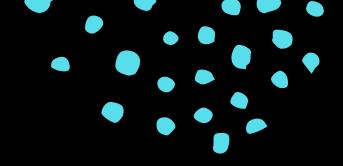
LOOK AWAY

First, one person should be chosen as the "game master". Next, everyone else in the YCI club should find a partner and stand across from them. Once each pair finds their own space in the room, they need to determine which person will be the "pointer" and which one will be the "eyes".

The "game master" will then count down from three (3, 2, 1, Go!). The "pointer" will then choose a direction to point their finger (up, down, left or right), and the "eyes" will choose to look one of those four directions (up, down, left or right). If the "pointer" is pointing in the same direction as the "eyes" are looking, the "eyes" is out of the game. If they choose different directions, they are to switch roles and play the game again until one of them is out.

The winners of each pair should play against each other until there is only one person left in the game. This person is the winner! This process can continue for as long as time allows.





PRAY

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.





GROW

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"I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinedresser. 2 Every branch in me that does not bear fruit he takes away, and every branch that does bear fruit he prunes, that it may bear more fruit. 3 Already you are clean because of the word that I have spoken to you. 4 Abide in me, and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit by itself, unless it abides in the vine, neither can you, unless you abide in me. 5 I am the vine; you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in him, he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing."

(John 15:1-5 ESV Emphasis Added)





GROW



What does Jesus being "the true vine" mean?

Jesus makes this claim as He encourages and prepares His disciples for His upcoming crucifixion, resurrection and ascension into heaven. It is a continuation of His promise in John 14 that the Holy Spirit, one of the three members of the Trinity (Father, Son and Holy Spirit), would enter the hearts of God's

children in order to lead, guide and strengthen them as they continue the mission Jesus started. The *vine* is what gives strength and stability to the *branches* that are connected to it. We are the branches that receive life from the Vine (Jesus). GROW



How To Connect With The Source Through Sharing:

Sharing Your Gifts

God has given you specific gifts and talents for you to use to point others to Him. This process of serving people is one of the pathways God uses to form us into His image. Take some time to write down specific gifts and talents that God has given you, and identify how they can be used to meet the needs of others.

Sharing The Gospel

Even more important than sharing your gifts is the practice of sharing the Gospel. When you do, consider these three factors:

His Story: Clearly communicate the journey of creation, separation, salvation and invitation

outlined in Scripture. More information on this can be found in YCI's "Darkness To Light" curriculum.

Your Story: Share your salvation story, and communicate ways God has changed your life since you placed your faith in Him.

Their Story: Connect what Jesus has done with the circumstances the person is facing, and show that He is *The Source* of all they need.

Consider This Before You Leave:

Big Idea

Jesus is the only source of strength and stability. We can receive both through abiding in Him. One way to abide in the source is through serving others with our gifts and talents as we focus on sharing the Gospel.

Sharing Truth

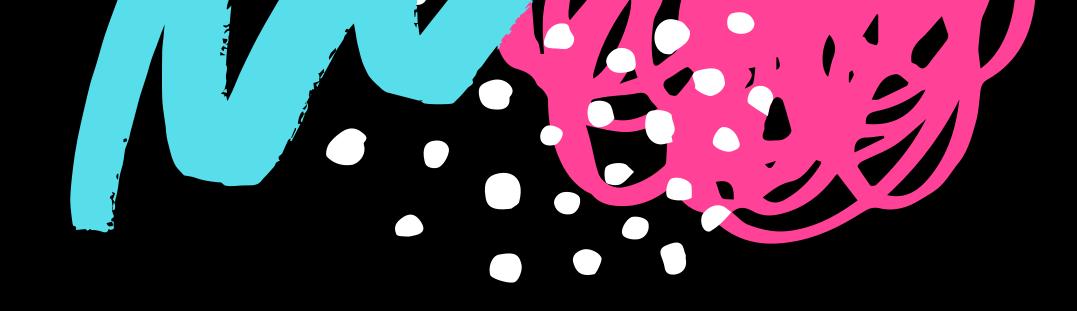
Who is someone in your life that needs to hear about what we discussed today? Pray

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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