

FROM THE WELL, TO THE WORLD

God's Unlikely Plan For
Reaching His People

Week #4
Focus



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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.



Tips For Using This Curriculum

Three Recommendations As You Lead Your Friends In Playing, Praying, Growing & Going

1) FAMILIARIZE

Prior to your weekly YCI club gatherings, spend time reading the curriculum to make sure you understand the game and devotional. Leading is easier when you are well-prepared!

2) ORGANIZE

The "Grow" portion of the YCI Club Curriculum gives you the "pieces" for a devotional, but it is up to you to put the pieces together. You may want to give "Book, Hook, Look & Took" a try:

- 1) Book:** Read the Bible verses.
- 2) Hook:** Share a brief personal story or idea that relates to the Scripture.
- 3) Look:** Share the context of the Scripture.
- 4) Took:** Share the takeaways from the "Learn & Apply" section.

3) CUSTOMIZE

Since every YCI club is different, it is important that you modify this content to fit your context. If you need help with this, we encourage you to reach out to your club's Campus Mentor!





SPELL IT OUT

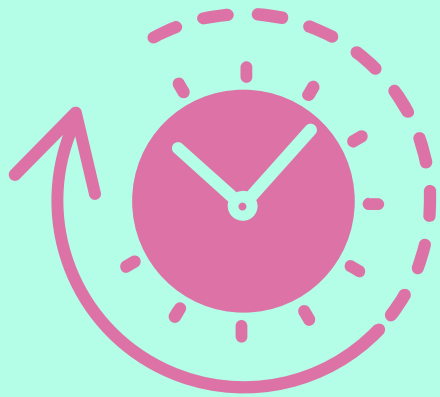
First, the YCI club should form a circle, and one person should be chosen as the “Scribe.” It is the responsibility of the person to the left of the Scribe to say a random letter of the alphabet. Moving in a clockwise motion, each student takes turns announcing a letter of the alphabet.

The idea is to continue spelling out an unknown word (it must be a real word that can be found in the dictionary). The goal is to avoid being the person who announces the final letter of the word. For example, if one person supplies the letter “J” and the next four people give “E, S, U, S,” then the person who declares the final “S” is out of the game because there is no way to elongate “Jesus” without using punctuation. The role of the Scribe is to write down each letter to keep everyone on the same page. If you supply the last letter of a word, you are out of the game.

This process continues until only one person is left standing. They are the winner!

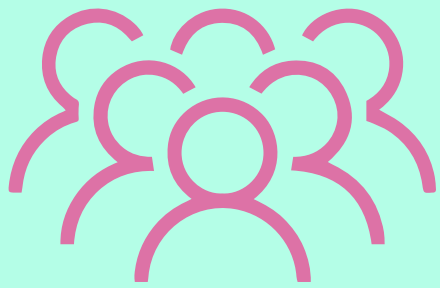


Ask God For His Will To Be Done In These Areas:



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.

Where We're Going: A Closer Look At John 4:7-30

When the religious leaders discovered that Jesus' followers were baptizing more people than John the Baptist, Jesus decided to leave Judea and travel to Galilee (John 4:3). Samaria, the region wedged between Judea and Galilee, was frequently avoided by Jewish travelers due to prejudice. Samaritans were often viewed as "lesser citizens" because of their mixed heritage. Jesus' disciples would have expected Him to take the longer route and avoid the region, but Jesus knew He had a predestined conversation waiting for Him with a Samaritan woman. This conversation transformed the way she viewed God, herself and those around her.

In ***"From The Well, To The World"***, we're going to examine four things Jesus gives to the Samaritan woman:

Week #1: Fulfillment (John 4:7-18)

Week #2: Forgiveness (John 4:16-26)

Week #3: Freedom (John 4:25-30)

Week #4: Focus (John 4:25-30)

Through this study, our prayer is that the Holy Spirit will reveal Jesus and equip you to share His message with the world!



John 4:25-30 (ESV)

25 The woman said to him, “I know that Messiah is coming (he who is called Christ). When he comes, he will tell us all things.”

26 Jesus said to her, “I who speak to you am he.” **27** Just then his disciples came back. They marveled that he was talking with a woman, but no one said, “What do you seek?” or, “Why are you talking with her?”

28 *So the woman left her water jar and went away into town* and said to the people, **29** “Come, see a man who told me all that I ever did. Can this be the Christ?” **30** They went out of the town and were” coming to him.”



Three Signs Jesus Is Focusing Your Attention

He Seems Bigger

At the beginning of Jesus' conversation with the Samaritan woman, she trusted in reason and logic to make sense of what He was saying. However, upon discovering that He is the Messiah, she stopped trying to reason with Him. The reality of who He is became the focal point of her attention!

Problems Look Smaller

It's no secret that this woman faced her fair share of difficulty. In addition to her troubled past with men, many historians believe she went to the well in the middle of the day to be alone and avoid facing ridicule from her neighbors (most people went to the well early in the morning to avoid the heat). These problems didn't go away when she met Jesus, but they no longer took charge of her attention.

People Take Priority

The woman's response was to go into town and **tell others** about Jesus. This is a picture of the commandment we have been given to "Go therefore and make disciples" (Matt. 28:19). The natural response to encountering Jesus is to tell everyone we can about who He is!



Let's Talk About This

Small Group Questions (If Time Allows)

Question #1

What is one thing that “jumped out” to you while reading John 4:25-30?

Question #2

What is a problem you have faced (or are currently facing) that looks smaller when you compare it to the strength and sovereignty of God?

Question #3

As a YCI club, what are some creative things we can do to tell our classmates about Jesus?



Before You GO



Big Idea

When we truly surrender to Jesus, God seems bigger, our problems seem smaller and our focus shifts to telling others about Him!



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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