



WHAT DO YOU WANT FROM ME?

Receiving Instruction
Through Peter's Redemption

Week #5
Contentment



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How To Lead Your YCI Club



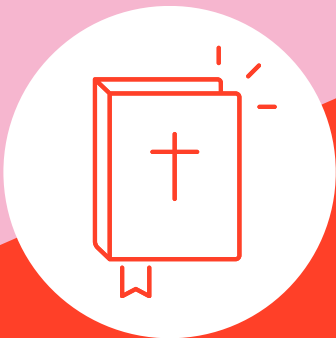
PLAY

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!

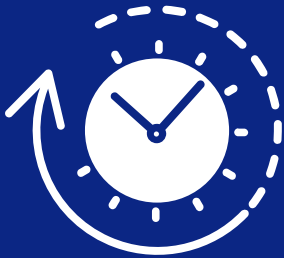


I Got Talent!

First, the YCI club should take a quick poll to determine a skill that only one or two people in the group has (*such as doing a cartwheel or whistling with your fingers, etc.*). Next, the person with the specific talent has three minutes to teach the rest of the group how to do their talent. The first person who accomplishes the skill (*or the person who gets the closest*) wins the game. This process can be repeated for as long as time allows!



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

Even after experiencing the goodness of God firsthand, it's possible to lose sight of His grace and mercy. Peter, one of Jesus' most passionate followers, walked away from his Savior after Jesus' unjust arrest. In a state of despair, Peter went back to what was most familiar to him – fishing.

After Jesus' death on the cross and eventual resurrection, He met Peter in his shame, forgave his betrayal and called him to a deeper level of surrender.

In the “***What Do You Want From Me?***” curriculum, we're going to take a closer look at John chapter 21 and discover five things Jesus wants from His followers:

- 1) **Humility** (John 21:1-8)
- 2) **Time** (John 21:9-14)
- 3) **Love** (John 21:15-17)
- 4) **Boldness** (John 21:18-19)
- 5) **Contentment** (John 21:20-25)

Prayerfully, this study will serve as a ***reminder*** for faithful disciples of Jesus as well as a ***roadmap*** for those seeking a deeper relationship with Him!



John 21:20-25 (ESV)

20 Peter turned and saw the disciple whom Jesus loved following them, the one who also had leaned back against him during the supper and had said,

“Lord, who is it that is going to betray you?” **21** When Peter saw him, he said to Jesus, “Lord, what about this man?” **22** Jesus said to him, “If it is my will that he remain until I come, what is that to you? You follow me!”

23 So the saying spread abroad among the brothers that this disciple was not to die; yet Jesus did not say to him that he was not to die, but, “If it is my will that he remain until I come, what is that to you?” **24** This is the disciple who is bearing witness about these things, and who has written these things, and we know that his testimony is true. **25** Now there are also many other things that Jesus did. Were every one of them to be written, I suppose that the world itself could not contain the books that would be written.”



Why Do I Always Want More Than What I Have?

1) I Focus On The Journeys Of Others

Peter was distracted by curiosity about what God had planned for John. Jesus responded by telling Peter that God's plan for John is between Him and John. Instead, Peter should focus on his own relationship with Jesus. Similarly, we will be tempted to focus on the ways God is working in the lives of others. It's important for us to celebrate God in others, but we must not allow it to distract us from the plan He has designed especially for us!

2) I Forget What God Has Given Me

Even after receiving Jesus' love and forgiveness, Peter still found himself distracted by God's plans for John. One of the most powerful antidotes for discontentment is to intentionally reflect on all that Jesus has already given us!

3) I Forsake Purpose For Comfort

If purpose is our focus, then we are all standing on equal ground. Every Christian is equally deserving of death, and we have all received forgiveness through the same sacrifice. As long as sharing this message with others remains the focus of our lives, contentment will endure. However, if we lose sight of Jesus and His message, we will strive to find comfort and wholeness through sources that have no hope of providing it!



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 21:20-25?

Question #2

Which of the three sources of discontentment (*focusing on the journeys of others, forgetting what God has given you and forsaking purpose for comfort*) resonated the most with you?

Question #3

What is something God has given you that you are grateful for? What are some practical things we can do to practice gratitude regularly?



Before You Go

Big Idea

Focusing on the journeys of others, forgetting what God has given us and forsaking purpose for comfort will prevent us from honoring God through contentment.

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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