

how do i live the gospel in my world?

**So, How Can
We Take This
On Campus?**



The Basics of Effective Campus Ministry

Word Wisdom

* Romans 10:13-15
 For, "Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved." How, then, can they call on the One they have not believed in? And how can they believe in the One of whom they have not heard? And how can they hear without someone preaching to them? And how can they preach unless they are sent? As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!"

* Acts 4:20
 For we cannot help speaking about what we have seen and heard.

Statistics:

- 61% of teenagers believe that if they are a good person or do "enough" good things for others in life, they will EARN a place in heaven (Barna Research).
- Only 6% of teenagers believe that moral truth is absolute (Barna Research).
- 85% of people who do not accept Christ before the age of 18 never will!

PURPOSE

What's the point??

- Basic Vision: That every student in every people group on campus would have the opportunity to hear the Gospel in a meaningful way and respond.
- Basic Goal: That Christian students would share their faith in Jesus Christ with their peers out of the overflow of a Christ-centered lifestyle.

RESOURCES

Where do we go for help??

- The Holy Spirit
- God's Word
- Church/Youth Pastor
- Other Students
- Training Events & Materials
- A YFC Staff Person
- Other Christian Adults

METHODS

So, how do we do it??

- PRAYER!!!
- Hard work!
- Relationships!
- Build a ministry team
- Play by the school's rules
- Meetings (large and small)
- Connect with Christians both on and off campus
- OUTREACH!
- MORE PRAYER!
- Did we mention prayer?

ROADBLOCKS

What to watch out for!

- Lack of prayer
- Disunity among believers
- Unsupportive school administration
- Lack of adult coaching and mentoring
- But...no worries...with God, ALL things are possible!!

All of these things will be further explained throughout this workbook...



First Things First!

Word Wisdom

MOTIVE ✓

Let's examine our motives...

GOOD

- Because God has laid it on our heart!
- To reach out to our campus with the gospel of Jesus Christ!
- To encourage each other in prayer, fellowship, worship, and the Word!
- To have fun doing it!

BAD

- To have a place for Christians to hang out or "hide out" during lunch.
- To be exclusive.
- To put it on a college application.



PREP TALK

GO TEAM!

Has God laid a burden on your heart for your campus and for your lost peers? Has He given you a vision to unite Christians on your campus to pray together, fellowship together, be challenged in the Word together, be equipped together, and reach out to your campus together? If so, you can be sure that God is calling you to step out in faith and do ministry on your campus!

Keep in mind that campus ministry is much more than just having a Bible club! There are tons of different ways of doing campus ministry but the one thing to be sure of is that uniting together as believers on campus must not be just for fellowship, but also to reach your peers for Christ! An on-campus ministry should never become a clique or a place for believers to hide during lunch. If the ministry is not outreach-focused, it will struggle and eventually die. God has placed each and every one of you on your campus for a purpose... to be a light for your peers who don't know Him and need to! He has called you to live a life worthy of the gospel and to be a Christ-like example! This means serving your friends and peers and loving them, no matter who they are, just as Christ does, and being prepared to lead them into a relationship with Him.

Starting a ministry on campus can be easy or difficult, but it is SO worth it! YOU can make a difference on your campus for the Kingdom of God! If you lean completely on the Lord and are prayerfully sensitive to the leading of His Holy Spirit, you WILL see God make an impact on your campus!

GET READY FOR A WILD RIDE!!

* Acts 2:42-47
They devoted themselves to the apostles' teaching and to the fellowship, to the breaking of bread and to prayer. Everyone was filled with awe, and many wonders and miraculous signs were done by the apostles. All the believers were together and had everything in common... Every day they continued to meet together... praising God and enjoying the favor of all the people. And the Lord added to their number daily those who were being saved.

* Ephesians 4:1
...I urge you to live a life worthy of the calling you have received.

Story Time:

"I was invited to attend a Christian club only to find 10 students eating doughnuts, praying briefly at the end of their meeting. I challenged them to be more than a group of Christians, but rather students who would boldly intercede for their campus. The room...is now packed every Friday with students gathering for prayer and Bible study."

Duane Pace, Youth Pastor
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