

ENGAGE WEEK “THE CONVERSATION WITH BEST FRIENDS”



Engage Week

Engage your school with the Gospel story.

Do what Jesus did by sharing the Gospel story with your friends through words and actions.



Promo:

Remember to invite people.



Welcome:

Remember to create a welcoming environment.



Host

"Welcome to First Priority, we are glad you joined us! Today we are going to start off with a game to get to know each other better."



Game

Choose a game or funny video to play for 3-5 minutes to get people laughing and talking.

Say something like: "Today, my friend, _____, is going to share something that is very important to them. Please listen respectfully as it takes a lot of courage to speak in front of others. You all were given a "student response card" that looks like this (hold up a sample card) when you came in. Hold on to it and we will explain what it is for later."



Speaker

Gospel Discussion

“My Life As A Jesus Follower”



Host

Invitation Options

1. Response Cards: If everyone would take a minute and think about what was shared today. If you decided to begin a relationship with Jesus today, then on your response card, simply check that box. Let us know so that we can connect with you and answer any questions you may have. If you have questions or would like us to help you find a youth group to go to, check that box and we would love to connect with you.

2. Talk/Pray with Someone: If you would like to talk to a Student Leader or have them pray with you, they would be glad to! Just catch one of them before you leave and let them know what impacted you today and how they can pray for you.



Announcements

Next week is Help Week! Start thinking now who you can invite to join you as we continue the conversation



Pray



Follow Up

Be available to talk or pray with people.
Ask how you can walk with them on their Jesus journey.



Leader Tip

Meet before Engage Week to make sure everything is planned and you have everything you need.





Gospel Discussion

“My Life As A Jesus Follower”

Your Life Before Meeting Jesus

Question to Answer: What was my life like before I was changed by Jesus?

This time is spent introducing yourself to your audience. Tell them your name, where you're from, what are some of your favorite hobbies, what is your most embarrassing moment, etc. This time could also be a chance to share a hardship or difficult time in your life. Being vulnerable to share the darkest moments of your story helps connect you to the audience. More than likely, there are people listening to you that have been through the same thing or even worse. Be transparent as you share.

Meeting Jesus

Question to Answer: How did I come to know Jesus?

Meeting Jesus is more than just going to a church. What was the moment like when you realized that you needed Jesus? Was there someone that helped you with that decision? Was there a song or certain passage from the Bible that really helped you? What did your decision to follow Jesus actually look like? How did you feel in that moment?

Your Life After Meeting Jesus

Question to Answer: What is your life like now that Jesus is in your life?

2 Corinthians 5:17 says that if anyone is in Christ, they are a new creation. So, what is new about you? What has drastically changed in your life? Use this time to reference the things you talked about in the first section. What are you currently pursuing in your life that helps you follow Jesus? Were there any relationships that changed because of the Gospel? What is different about you? If there is one thing you'd like your audience to know about Jesus, what would it be?

Things to Remember

1. Be sure to clearly state your understanding of the Gospel through your story (ex: Jesus came to earth, He died as a man for me, He rose to life and lives in me today).
2. Write out what you want to say. Read it. Edit. Repeat. This will help you simplify and clearly communicate what you want to do.
3. Be bold. Allow God to speak through you.



Disciple Tip

Doing what Jesus did means meeting people where they are.

STUDENT RESPONSE CARD

My response to the gospel message today
(please only check one):

- I want to start following Jesus **today**.
- I have **questions** about following Jesus.
- I am **already** a follower of Jesus.

My Name _____

Cell # _____

Do you attend a church? _____

Who invited you to First Priority today? _____

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FOLLOW-UP GUIDE

Following up with those who just committed their lives to Jesus or have questions is equally as important as sharing the Gospel! This guide will give you a few pointers on how to follow-up correctly.

SIX THINGS TO DO WHEN FOLLOWING UP

1. Determine how many and what kind of follow-up has been requested.

As soon as possible, read through the response cards after you have collected them and let your Coach know how many people committed their lives to Christ and how many students have questions or want someone to follow up with them.

2. Organize the response card information.

Write down on the follow-up chart the names, response, and contact info of everyone who made decisions and requested to talk with someone.

3. Make contact within 24 hours with everyone who responded to the Gospel on Engage Week. This can be done by text message, personal conversation at school, or social media, just remember to check with your parents for permission before contacting someone you do not know. The initial message should be something like this:

"Hello ____! My name is _____ and I saw that you came to First Priority club this week! We are really excited you came, and we hope you'll come back next week. I also noticed that you marked on your response card that you [prayed to begin a relationship with Christ] -or- [wanted to talk with someone about the Gospel] so I wanted to ask how I could help you. If you have questions about their responses, you can contact your Campus Coach for guidance.

4. Invite them to church! If they were invited by a friend to First Priority...

Ask that friend to invite them to youth group this week, since they are more likely to attend church with someone they know. If they plan to go to church for the first time, you can also ask your Coach to notify the Student Pastor that they will be having a new guest this week! Make sure to discard any response cards that you will not be needing for follow-up.

5. Offer a free Bible to those who prayed to receive Christ if Bibles are available through your First Priority club or church.

Make sure one is available before you offer and make sure they receive it if they ask for one.

6. Share Stories

Share any cool new salvation stories and new local youth group members with your Coach! He or she will want to celebrate with you about what God is doing through your club!

Student Name	Started following Jesus today.	Questions about following Jesus.	Wants to connect to youth group.	Follow-up dates and notes.
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