

HELP WEEK “THE CONVERSATION WITH FOLLOWERS”



Help Week

Helping each other believe and share the Gospel story.

Practice being with Jesus through Scripture, prayer, and a practical way to believe and share the Gospel in everyday life.



Promo:

Remember to invite people.



Welcome:

Remember to create a welcoming environment.



Host

“Welcome to First Priority, we are glad that you are here! This week is Help Week and our goal is to use scripture and a tool to help us share our faith. Let’s start things off with prayer.”



Pray

Introduce Speaker: We are glad you are here! Today my friend _____ is going to talk about setting a good example to reach your followers with the Good News of Jesus.”



Speaker



Help Tool: Hand Gospel

Practice the Help Tool before the club and **pass out the Hand Gospel** to everyone who comes in. The Gospel discussion and Help Tool are designed to give you a basic understanding to believe, live, and share the Gospel.



Gospel Discussion

“The Conversation with Followers”



Host



Announcements

Next week is Overcome Week! Start thinking now who you can invite to join you as we continue this 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

Make sure the Student Leader Team has communicated well.





Gospel Discussion

“The Conversation with Followers”



Highlight Scripture

1 Timothy 4:12

“Let no one despise you for your youth, but set the believers an example in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith, in purity.”



Explain (Give context)

Do you have followers? I don't mean the ones on Instagram or Twitter. I'm talking about your “circle of influence”. For example: a younger sibling or cousin, someone that admires you, or someone that chooses your values or ideas whether they believe them or not. That is a follower.

How does it make you feel knowing that you are setting an example, good or bad, to your followers? (Allow a few students to respond.) In First Timothy, chapter 4 verse 12, the apostle Paul instructs Timothy on how to respond to that. “Let no one despise you for your youth, but set the believers an example in speech, in conduct, in love, in faith, in purity.”

So how do you as a believer set an example to your followers when it comes to your faith? First, Paul reminds Timothy about his speech. How you use your words matter, people are listening. Second is your conduct. How do you behave around your “circle of influence”? Someone is watching. The third and fourth go hand in hand; in love and in faith. Do you love those who follow you? Do you love them enough to share your faith?

Today we are going to use our hand to share the Gospel with our followers so that when we are done, we will have set an example by sharing our faith, in love.



Apply

Some relationships start with a simple handshake. Let's use our hands to share with our followers how to begin a relationship with Jesus (See “Hand Gospel” handout for instructions).

- Thumb** – Good News (John 3:16)
- Pointer** – One Problem, Sin (Romans 3:23)
- Middle** – Christ died on the Cross (Romans 5:8)
- Ring** – Believe and Commit (Romans 10:9-10)
- Little** – A little act of Faith (Ephesians 2:8-9)
- Palm** – Secure and safe in the hand of God (John 10:27-29)



Respond (Groups of 3-5)

Pair up and practice sharing the Gospel with your hand.



Bottom Line

Your life is the Gospel that your followers are seeing.



Disciple Tip

Practice being with Jesus by setting aside time each day to pray.



HELP TOOL – HAND GOSPEL HANDOUT

“THE CONVERSATION WITH FOLLOWERS”

HAND GOSPEL	
	First, put your thumb up and say, “I’ve got Good News!” John 3:16 says “For God so loved the world, that He gave His only Son, that whoever believes in Him should not perish but have eternal life.” It is a FREE gift and available RIGHT NOW! What stands in our way of receiving this FREE gift?
	Second, put your pointer finger up and say, “There is ONE PROBLEM. ” Sin! Romans 3:23 “All have sinned..” We cannot save ourselves. We deserve death and hell. God is loving but just. He must punish sin but has provided us forgiveness.
	Third, point to your middle finger and say, “Christ died on the cross.” Romans 5:8 “While we were still sinners...Christ died for us.” He DIED , was BURIED , and AROSE . To receive Eternal Life , we must repent and ask Jesus to forgive us.
	Fourth, point to your ring finger and say, “Just believe and Commit.” Confess, Repent, and Commit! Romans 10:9-10 “If you confess with your mouth Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you shall be saved; for with the heart man believes resulting in righteousness and with the mouth he confesses, resulting in salvation.” Believe it & Speak it! Jesus is received by faith.
	Fifth, show your little finger and say: Just a little, simple act of FAITH is all it takes to trust in Jesus. Ephesians 2:8-9 says “For by Grace you are saved through faith, and that not of yourselves, it is a gift of God; not a result of works, that no one should boast.” This is God’s redemption at Jesus’ expense. Trust in Jesus now. Surrender to Him and give Him control of your life.
	Sixth, point to the palm of your hand and say: We are secure and safe in the hand of God! John 10:27-29 says, “...I give eternal life to my sheep and they will never perish; and no one can snatch them out of my hand...” The devil cannot steal you either. Does this all make sense? Would you be willing to trust and receive Jesus right now as your Savior? Pray with me!

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