

# OVERCOME WEEK “THE CONVERSATION WITH GOD”



## Overcome Week

Overcoming your fear of sharing the Gospel story.

### Practice becoming like Jesus

by letting Him transform you from the inside out.



### Promo:

Remember to invite people.



### Welcome:

Remember to create a welcoming environment.



## Host

Welcome to First Priority! Today is Overcome Week. Our goal is to learn how to overcome things that keep us from believing and sharing the Gospel in everyday life.



Pray



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

**Say something like:** We are glad you are here! Today my friend \_\_\_\_\_ is going to talk about how we can overcome fears of having a conversation with God.



## Speaker

### Gospel Discussion

“Overcoming Fear of the Conversation with God”



## Host



### Announcements

Next week is Prepare Week! Start thinking now about 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

Take time to read the Gospel discussion and see how you can relate.



## Gospel Discussion

### “Overcoming Fear of the Conversation with God”

We are really excited about what God is going to do at our school this year, and we are also excited that you are coming along for the journey! Since this year's theme is "The Conversation", we thought it would be best to start by talking about the most important conversation we could possibly have in our lifetime. That conversation is with the Creator of the universe and it will completely change your life.



#### Highlight Scripture

##### Romans 10:9-10

"Because, if you confess with your mouth that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved. For with the heart one believes and is justified, and with the mouth one confesses and is saved."



#### Explain (Give context)

Do you realize that God created you to have a relationship with Him now and forever? Although, something has created a separation between all of us and God. That something is called sin. Sin has broken the peaceful relationship that we had with God. This broken relationship is called being dead in sin and separated from God forever (Romans 3:23 "for all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God,"). Because of that, we all need a savior - someone to rescue us and bring us back into a right relationship with God. There is Good News! This is the whole reason Jesus sacrificed Himself on a cross designed by the Romans, so that He would defeat death by taking the punishment for our sin and offer us the gift of eternal life - now and forever (Romans 6:23 "For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord. "). To receive this gift, we must have a very important conversation with God. This conversation doesn't need to be fancy or impressive - it just needs to be honest and specific. We need to be HONEST by admitting that we aren't perfect and are lost. We need to be SPECIFIC by asking for forgiveness, committing to follow Jesus, and asking Him to be the Lord of our lives. You can also be specific by thanking God for the cross and asking Him for eternal life.



#### Apply

All year long we are going to talk about intentional conversations, and we don't want to take for granted that everyone here has talked to God about this. Going to church, growing up in a family of Christians, or doing Christian things does not make any of us followers of Christ. We must realize that we have an invitation to follow Him, and we must choose to personally accept or reject that invitation.



#### Respond (Groups of 3-5)

Right now, let's break into groups. Each of you can take turns praying honestly and specifically like I described, and if you have never asked God to save you, this would be a great opportunity to do that. You can also ask the person praying with you if you need help.



#### Bottom Line

Jesus is inviting you to have a conversation with Him today.



#### Disciple Tip

Becoming like Jesus is the goal of being a disciple of Jesus.

