

OVERCOME WEEK

Overcome Defined:

[verb] To get the better of in a struggle. To overcome the enemy. To overpower or overwhelm in body or mind.

THE GOAL OF OVERCOME WEEK:

Overcome is the second meeting of the H.O.P.E. strategy. Overcome is just that: motivation and inspiration to overcome our fear, worry, and doubts that we have about sharing the Good News of Jesus Christ. This really happens in two ways: relationship and knowledge. Let me start with relationship.

It is always easier to do hard things with a friend than it is alone. You will notice in the H.O.P.E. Guide that each overcome week outline includes an activity to get the club started. This is by intention! We realize that many of the students who show up in a given First Priority club have not spent time together before. We want to build these relationships and that simply takes time, conversation, and laughter. So an activity is planned for each overcome week to get the group talking and interacting with each other. Do not rush through this time. Relationship is key to helping the group overcome their fears and doubts with talking about Jesus in school.

The second goal of Overcome Week is to share knowledge. Often two words come to mind when talking about the knowledge that we want all FP Club members to have: Scripture and Apologetics. Obviously a deep and meaningful knowledge of Scripture is going to help students lead a God honoring life. Christian apologetics is by definition learning how to defend faith in Christ.

What inspires you to growth?

For everyone born of God overcomes the world. This is the victory that has overcome the world, even our faith. Who is it that overcomes the world? Only the one who believes that Jesus is the Son of God. 1 John 5:4-5

Coaching Tips:

- Student leadership should be familiar with the week's resource in advance and have printed copies available.
- Know your group and what they need. Help your student leaders to be aware of the issues in the school so they can lead this discussion effectively.
- If your group is facing a specific question, you can find some apologetics Q&A at <https://firstpriority.club/resources> and click on apologetics.
- Be sure student leaders are sharing the vision of the FP Club with the members! Engage week is coming. FP is not a club to simply attend, but a tool to use to bring the Hope of Christ to every student in their school.