

WHO AM I?

2025-2026 CURRICULUM



Campus Faith Clubs

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YEARLY OVERVIEW

<u>MONTH</u>	<u>TRUTH</u>	<u>LIVE IT OUT</u>
SEPTEMBER	I AM WONDERFULLY MADE	INVITE SOMEONE TO FAITH CLUB
OCTOBER	I AM KNOWN AND ACCEPTED	SHARE A BIBLE VERSE WITH SOMEONE
NOVEMBER	I WILL NEVER BE ALONE	SHARE YOUR 2-MINUTE TESTIMONY
DECEMBER	I AM BROKEN, YET FORGIVEN	GROUP SERVICE PROJECT
JANUARY	I AM CALLED TO A HIGHER PURPOSE	PRAY FOR FIVE, PRAY WITH ONE
FEBRUARY	I HAVE A STRONG FOUNDATION	READ THE BIBLE WITH A FRIEND
MARCH	I AM CREATED FOR COMMUNITY	COMMIT TO SPIRITUAL DISCIPLINE GOALS
APRIL	I AM MEANT TO GROW	MEET WEEKLY WITH AN ACCOUNTABILITY PARTNER
MAY	I AM CALLED TO SHARE JESUS	INVITE SOMEONE TO A SUMMER FAITH EVENT

ABOUT CAMPUS FAITH CLUBS

Students live in a world where their identity is questioned, their beliefs are compromised, and the truth is diluted. Often, students living out their faith are met with questioning, criticism, and even hostility. Campus Faith Clubs provides a community where students are encouraged and empowered to know their identity as children of God, created in His image to grow in faith as disciples of Jesus, and then share their faith in schools as ambassadors of the Gospel.

CFC is a student-led, teacher-advised, and parent-supported organization that promotes living out the hope and love of Jesus in schools. Students are empowered and equipped to run their faith club, which fosters their growth in service, faith, and leadership. This builds confidence while also providing a peer-to-peer discipleship environment that is welcoming and inspiring for those who are newer in their faith journey.

At their Campus Faith Club, middle and high school students gather to worship, open God's Word, pray, be discipled, and encourage each other. (Oh, and don't forget the donuts!) Students grow in their faith while learning tools to share their faith with others.

Where Campus Faith Club ends, the school day begins and ministry takes place where students share the hope and love of Jesus in their schools.

Through CFC, students find identity, healing, faith, and hope in Jesus. Lives are transformed and discipled through God's Word. The Fruit of the Spirit is cultivated and nurtured. Students become servant leaders and active evangelists. Through Campus Faith Clubs, the world is changed one student at a time.

MISSION

To empower and equip students to share the hope and love of Jesus in schools

VISION

To establish a Campus Faith Club in every school where students gather for discipleship and encouragement through God's Word and the hope of Jesus Christ



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MONTHLY FORMAT & GUEST SPEAKER NOTE

MONTHLY FORMAT

The Campus Faith Clubs theme for the 2025-2026 school year is “WHO AM I?” and centers on our identity in Christ. The format is divided into a monthly theme, consisting of three weeks: Opening, Bible Study, and Closing. Each week focuses on a different part of the month’s theme, accompanied by scripture and discussion questions. There is also a Live it Out section with a challenge for students to experience faith in action.

Each week includes a small group breakout time called the “**Who Am I?**”**Connection**. Based on the scriptures for the day, students can complete these statements and discuss:

God is _____

I am _____

Therefore _____

Note: Scripture used is from the CSB translation unless otherwise indicated.

GUEST SPEAKER NOTE

If there are speakers, suggest that they speak on that week’s theme and scripture verses. You can ask the speaker to provide questions for small group breakouts, or they can utilize the questions in the curriculum for that week.

HOW TO RUN A CAMPUS FAITH CLUB

Four Parts of Faith Club:

Note: This is for a 45-minute club. Adjust times if you meet 30 min, etc.

1. Intro: Donuts, Announcements, Icebreaker, Prayer (10 min)
2. Content: Bible Study or Speaker (15 min)
3. Small Group Chats: Break into small groups for discussion.
Questions are provided in this guide. If you have a special speaker, they can provide their own breakout questions. (15 min.)
4. Close: Live it Out , Prayer & Reminders (5 min)

Key Officer Positions and Responsibilities:

- Two Co-Leads to do welcome & announcements
- Social Media: Instagram promotion and posting club messages
- A/V: In charge of presentation slides
- Donut Coordinator: Coordinate who brings donuts
- Bible Study Leader: Leads meetings & Bible studies for officers
- Icebreaker Coordinator: Chooses & coordinates icebreakers
- Service Project Coordinator: Chooses & coordinates service projects
- Speaker Coordinator: schedules speakers for club

Ten Tips for a Successful Club:

1. Bring Enthusiasm. It's contagious.
2. Speak up and be confident. People respond to positive leadership.
3. Sit by and connect with students you have never met before. This demonstrates Jesus' love and sets an example.
4. Stay on time. Do not start late, or people will come late all the time.
5. Be organized and prepared. People don't want to get up early for disorganization. Would you?
6. Hold monthly Officer Planning Meetings
7. Use slides for presentation and communication at each meeting.
8. Arrive at least 15 min early to pray & prepare
9. Be accountable to each other.
10. Engage your teacher advisor(s) & invite them to share & participate

RESOURCES

Icebreakers, Guest Speakers, Service Projects

Icebreakers

Icebreakers

Scan this QR code to GET INSPIRED. A short icebreaker to get students engaged and having fun is always recommended. Let CFC staff know if there's one that should be added to the list!



Guest Speakers



Guest Speaker List

Scan this QR code for a list of church staff members who may be available as guest speakers. Email or text them a few weeks in advance to inquire about their availability.

Service Projects

Service Project Ideas

Scan this QR code for a list of service projects that CFCs have done in the past!



SEPTEMBER

*I am
wonderfully made*

September Week 1: Opening

LEADER TIPS

This week is all about setting the table for the year by introducing CFC, the mission of your club, your club's leadership, and this year's theme. Be enthusiastic and make a special effort to greet all the students, especially new members. Make sure no one is sitting alone!

If you are using a guest speaker, see the Guest Speaker Note on the bottom of page 6.

Icebreaker



ANNOUNCE AT CLUB

- What is CFC, and its mission?
- What is our club's mission? (choose from options in leader notes or write your own)
- Share QR code/info for Club communication
- Introduce advisor and officers and their roles
- Share the club meeting schedule and explain what to expect at a typical meeting
- Introduce this year's theme: Who Am I?

INTRO

The theme for this year is "Who Am I?".

This month's theme is "I am wonderfully made."

OPENING PRAYER

God,
Thank you for a new year of our Campus Faith Club. Thank you that we can meet in our school to learn more about you. May our time together glorify you. In Jesus' name we pray, amen.

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I am wonderfully made

September Week 1: Bible Study

BIBLE STUDY LESSON

Take turns reading the passages, then break into tables/groups to discuss so all students can be engaged and participate.

Overview: Today we are going to look at creation and who created it all.

READ JOHN 1:1-3

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was with God in the beginning. All things were created through him, and apart from him not one thing was created that has been created.

- Who do you think “the Word” is that John is writing about? Read John 1:14, “*And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we have seen his glory, glory as the only Son from the Father, full of grace and truth.*” Who is the Word?
- What things were created through him? Through Jesus?

READ COLOSSIANS 1:16

For through him God created everything in the heavenly realms and on earth. He made the things we can see and the things we can't see - such as thrones, kingdoms, rulers, and authorities in the unseen world. Everything was created through him and for him.

- Why do you think that God created everything that he did?
- Have you ever built anything, baked cookies, painted a picture or created anything else? Why did you make those things? Did you enjoy the process and the end result?

READ GENESIS 1:26-27, 31a

Then God said, “Let us make mankind in our image, in our likeness, so that they may rule over the fish in the sea and the birds in the sky, over the livestock and all the wild animals, and over all the creatures that move along the ground.” So God created mankind in his own image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them...And God saw everything that he had made, and behold, it was very good.

- Do you have a person in your family that people say you look or act like? Share with your group what those characteristics are.
- If you could be like anyone, who would you want to be like? Share one reason why you want to be like that person.
- What does it mean to be made in God’s image? What are some characteristics of God?
- How should we view ourselves knowing that we are created in the image of God?

I am wonderfully made

September Week 1: Closing

SMALL GROUP CHATS

- Get to know your group. If you haven't already, take turns introducing yourselves: share your name, grade, and a fun fact about yourself.
- What do you hope to experience in your school's Campus Faith Club this year?
- List ways that you stay connected to Jesus, or ways you hope to connect more with Him.

"WHO AM I?" CONNECTION

Looking back at the scripture passages today, complete the following statements and discuss:

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Therefore _____

LIVE IT OUT

INVITE SOMEONE TO CFC

One way to live out your faith and show God's love is to invite other students to CFC where they can experience a great community and learn about Jesus!

CLOSING PRAYER

Dear Jesus,
Thank you for creating everything including people. Thank you that we are wonderfully made. Help us to reflect your image to everyone we interact with here at school. Help us to love others. In your name we pray.
Amen.

I am wonderfully made

September Week 2: Opening

LEADER TIPS

This week is about praising God for his creation. Consider having an officer share about how praising God impacts their life. Be sensitive to those who don't yet have faith in Jesus. Pray before the meeting that hearts will be receptive! If someone prays to accept Jesus, have an officer follow up with them.

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Icebreaker



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 - Sept. 24: See You at the Pole
 - Oct. 2: Bring Your Bible to School Day

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OPENING PRAYER

Dear God,
Thank you for allowing us to be here today! Help all of us today get to know you better. Help our time together fill us with your love for each other and for others at our school. In Jesus' name, amen.

September Week 2: Bible Study

BIBLE STUDY LESSON

Take turns reading the passages, then break into tables/groups to discuss so all students can be engaged and participate.

Overview: Today, we are going to look at our world around us and who is to be given praise.

READ PSALM 104:24

How countless are your works, Lord! In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.

- Have you ever been outside of the city lights and looked up into the sky at the stars? Could you count them all? What did you think/feel when you looked at them?
- Think of all the animals on the earth and in the sea. What is your favorite? Why?
- When you look at all of God's creation, what do you think? What do you feel?

READ PSALM 148:7-13

Praise the Lord from the earth, all sea monsters and ocean depths, lightning and hail, snow and cloud, stormy wind that executes his command, mountains and all hills, fruit trees and all cedars, wild animals and all cattle, creatures that crawl and flying birds, kings of the earth and all peoples, princes and all judges of the earth, young men as well as young women, old and young together. Let them praise the name of the Lord, for his name alone is exalted. His majesty covers heaven and earth.

- Who or what is to praise the Lord?
- How does it look to praise the Lord?

READ REVELATION 4:11

Our Lord and God, you are worthy to receive glory and honor and power, because you have created all things, and by your will they exist and were created.

- How does it look like to give God glory, and honor and power?
- Is this easy or hard for you to do? Why?

I am wonderfully made

September Week 2: Closing

SMALL GROUP CHATS

- Introduce yourselves and share a high and a low from your week.
- Talk about what it would look like to praise God for the things that he created on a regular basis. Would that change your perspective on things?
- Is praising God part of your everyday life?
- Group Leader: Pray with your group.

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CLOSING PRAYER

Jesus,
Thank you for creation and for creating everything. We praise your name for your creation! Help us to see you in everything around us and help us to live for you every day. In your name we pray, amen.

I am wonderfully made

September Week 3: Opening

LEADER TIPS

This fall, new students will be checking out your CFC for the first time, so put extra effort into welcoming them. Have two officers serve as a welcome committee. When your club starts, these same officers should go and sit by someone they don't know, rather than by friends. Rotate officers each week.

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Icebreaker



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OPENING PRAYER

Father God,
Thank you that we are able to gather today to learn more about you. Open our hearts to the truth of your Word.
In Jesus' name, amen.

I am wonderfully made

September Week 3: Bible Study

BIBLE STUDY LESSON

Take turns reading the passages, then break into tables/groups to discuss so all students can be engaged and participate.

Overview: Today we will read through parts of Psalm 139 and discover how we are wonderfully made!

READ PSALM 139:1-4

Lord, you have searched me and known me. You know when I sit down and when I stand up; you understand my thoughts from far away. You observe my travels and my rest; you are aware of all my ways. Before a word is on my tongue, you know all about it, Lord.

- Who in your life knows the most about you? Why and how do they know what they know?
- How do you feel that God knows all of these things about you?

READ PSALM 139:13-14

For it was you who created my inward parts; you knit me together in my mother's womb. I will praise you because I have been remarkably and wondrously made. Your works are wondrous, and I know this very well.

- What does "wondrously" and "remarkably" mean?
- Knowing that God's creation is wondrous, and you are God's creation, how do you feel? Do you believe that you are remarkably and wonderfully made? Why or why not?

READ PSALM 139:23-24

Search me, God, and know my heart; test me and know my concerns. See if there is any offensive way in me; lead me in the everlasting way.

- The first verses we read told us that God knows everything about you. Why do you think it is important to ask God to show you if you are not living like He wants you to live?
- What does it mean to say to God, "lead me in the everlasting way?"

I am wonderfully made

September Week 3: Closing

SMALL GROUP CHATS

- Introduce yourself and share one word to describe your week so far - explain your word choice.
- Today we learned that we are wonderfully made. This includes those around us. Knowing this, does it change (or should it change) the way we see others around us?
- Without betraying any confidences, share your struggles or successes with loving those who aren't your friends, or those who hurt you.
- How can you show love to staff and classmates in your school this week?

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CLOSING PRAYER

Lord Jesus,
Thank you that we are wonderfully made by you. Thank you that you know us and understand us. Thank you that we cannot hide from you, and you are with us always. Help us to display your image as we love others.
Amen.

I am wonderfully made

OCTOBER

*I am known
and accepted*

October Week 1: Opening

LEADER TIPS

Continue your efforts to make all feel welcome with a greeting committee and having officers sit with students they observe sitting alone. Leaders - don't all sit together in the front row!

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OPENING PRAYER

Heavenly Father,
Thank you for everyone gathered here and for the blessing of meeting together. Speak to us today through your word. Bless our time together. In Jesus' name, amen.

I am known and accepted

October Week 1: Bible Study

BIBLE STUDY LESSON

Take turns reading the passages, then break into tables/groups to discuss so all students can be engaged and participate.

Overview: Today we are going to read that God knows everything about us.

READ PSALM 139:7-12

Where can I go to escape your Spirit? Where can I flee from your presence? If I go up to heaven, you are there; if I make my bed in Sheol, you are there. If I fly on the wings of the dawn and settle down on the western horizon, even there your hand will lead me; your right hand will hold on to me. If I say, "Surely the darkness will hide me, and the light around me will be night"— even the darkness is not dark to you. The night shines like the day; darkness and light are alike to you.

- Did you ever play "Hide-and-Seek" as a child? Where was the best place to hide?
- What does this passage say about light and dark to God?

Before you read the next scripture, say: Keep in mind that in Jesus' day, men and women did not have conversations in public. Nor did Jews and Samaritans.

READ JOHN 4:7-9

A woman of Samaria came to draw water. "Give me a drink," Jesus said to her because his disciples had gone into town to buy food. "How is it that you, a Jew, ask for a drink from me, a Samaritan woman?" she asked him. For Jews do not associate with Samaritans.

- Had Jesus been any other Jewish Rabbi (Rabbi means "teacher"), he would rather have gone thirsty than talked to the woman at the well. Why do you think that Jesus spoke to her?
- How do you think the woman was feeling when Jesus was talking to her?

READ JOHN 4:13-18

Jesus said, "Everyone who drinks from this water will get thirsty again. But whoever drinks from the water that I will give him will never get thirsty again. In fact, the water I will give him will become a well of water springing up in him for eternal life."

"Sir," the woman said to him, "give me this water so that I won't get thirsty and come here to draw water."

"Go call your husband," he told her, "and come back here."

"I don't have a husband," she answered.

"You have correctly said, 'I don't have a husband,'" Jesus said. "For you've had five husbands, and the man you now have is not your husband. What you have said is true."

- Jesus said that He gives water that leads to eternal life. Do you think that Jesus means literal water? Why or why not?
- Jesus is all-knowing. He knows everything about you. What do you think about that?
- Have you tried to keep things hidden from him? Did it work for the woman?

SAY: When we continue to read in John we learn that the woman told everyone in her town about Jesus and many, including her, believed that Jesus was the Savior of the world!

I am known and accepted

October Week 1: Closing

SMALL GROUP CHATS

- Share your name and a high, low, and buffalo (a random piece of info) for the week.
- Do you have a journal that you use to record your thoughts and feelings? If you do, are you completely honest in that journal, or do you censor yourself?
- In the Bible (Luke 12) it says that God knows the number of hairs on your head and that you are worth more than many sparrows. Tell the person next to you that are worth more than many sparrows to God! Now, tell yourself that and believe it.

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LIVE IT OUT

SHARE A BIBLE VERSE WITH SOMEONE

Discussing a Scripture passage with another student may help them grow in their faith, be encouraged, or avoid temptation. There is always value in sharing Scripture!

CLOSING PRAYER

Lord Jesus,
Thank you that we are known by you and that nothing is hidden from you. Help us to turn to you and not hide from you. Help us to be like the woman who told others about you and trusted that you are the Savior of the world!
Amen.

I am known and accepted

October Week 2: Opening

LEADER TIPS

Remember that icebreakers are important to help students get to know each other. They give everyone a chance to be engaged and participate actively in CFC.

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OPENING PRAYER

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Thank you for bringing us all here this morning. May our time together bring you glory and draw us closer to you.
We love you. In Jesus' name, amen.

October: Week 2: Bible Study

BIBLE STUDY LESSON

Take turns reading the passages, then break into tables/groups to discuss so all students can be engaged and participate.

Overview: Today, we will learn that even though God knows everything about us—all of our secrets, the lies, and our mistakes—He still loves us. You may feel like no one notices you, sees you, hears you, or maybe even that no one loves you. But you are seen and known by God. In fact, you are never out of His sight. God hears every worry, every fear, and every insecurity, and He cares about all of it.

(Paraphrased from "Flip the Script" by Lifeway)

READ LUKE 19:1-6

He [Jesus] entered Jericho and was passing through. There was a man named Zacchaeus who was a chief tax collector, and he was rich. He was trying to see who Jesus was, but he was not able because of the crowd, since he was a short man. So running ahead, he climbed up a sycamore tree to see Jesus, since he was about to pass that way. When Jesus came to the place, he looked up and said to him, "Zacchaeus, hurry and come down because today it is necessary for me to stay at your house." So he quickly came down and welcomed him joyfully.

- Is there anyone that you want to see in person who is well-known or famous? Why?
- How do you think Zacchaeus felt when Jesus said his name? How would you feel if the person you want to see called out your name?

READ LUKE 19:7-10

All who saw it began to complain, "He's gone to stay with a sinful man." But Zacchaeus stood there and said to the Lord, "Look, I'll give half of my possessions to the poor, Lord. And if I have extorted anything from anyone, I'll pay back four times as much."

"Today salvation has come to this house," Jesus told him, "because he too is a son of Abraham. For the Son of Man has come to seek and to save the lost."

- What is sin?
- Tax collectors in Jesus' day were known to be greedy, to cheat, and to steal. Most people hated tax collectors. Jesus knew who Zacchaeus was when he called him by name. How does it make you feel that Jesus cares for sinners?

READ JOHN 3:16

For God loved the world in this way: He gave his one and only Son, so that everyone who believes in him will not perish but have eternal life.

- Zacchaeus' life was changed when he met Jesus: his life on earth **and** his life forever. How does this Bible story encourage or inspire you?

October Week 2: Closing

SMALL GROUP CHATS

- Share your name and a high, low, and buffalo (something random) for the week.
- Have you ever thought that someone didn't deserve God's forgiveness and love?
- Have you ever thought that you didn't deserve God's forgiveness and love?
- Is there someone at school that you can try to see the way God sees him/her this week?

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Lord Jesus,
Thank you that we are known and accepted by you. Help us, like Zacchaeus, reach out to you and want to know you. Thank you that you know us, accept us, and want us to be in a deep relationship with you. May we always know that you accept us despite our faults and want us to love you. Amen.

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October Week 3: Opening

LEADER TIPS

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OPENING PRAYER

Dear Lord,
Thank you for bringing us all here this morning. Help us to see how much you love us and help us to know you more. We love you. In Jesus' name, amen.

I am known and accepted

October Week 3: Bible Study

BIBLE STUDY LESSON

Take turns reading the passages, then break into tables/groups to discuss so all students can be engaged and participate.

Overview: Today we are going to see that God loves us and accepts us because of what Jesus did on the cross.

READ MATTHEW 9:9-13

As Jesus went on from there, he saw a man named Matthew sitting at the tax office, and he said to him, "Follow me," and he got up and followed him. While he was reclining at the table in the house, many tax collectors and sinners came to eat with Jesus and his disciples. When the Pharisees saw this, they asked his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?" Now when he heard this, he said, "It is not those who are well who need a doctor, but those who are sick. Go and learn what this means: I desire mercy and not sacrifice. For I didn't come to call the righteous, but sinners."

- Do you remember what we learned about Zacchaeus? If you were at CFC that week, share what we learned about tax collectors.
- Who do you think Jesus meant when he said "righteous"? Why do you think he said "For I didn't come to call the righteous, but sinners?"

READ 2 PETER 3:9

The Lord does not delay his promise, as some understand delay, but is patient with you, not wanting any to perish but all to come to repentance.

- What does Peter (the author) mean when he writes "not wanting any to perish but come to repentance"?
- What does it mean to "repent"?

READ 1 JOHN 4:8b

...because God is love.

- What is God? God is _____.
- How do you know that you are loved by someone? Is it through words, actions, or something else?

READ ROMANS 5:8

But God proves his own love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

- Do you know why Jesus died for us?

READ 1 JOHN 3:1

See what great love the Father has given us that we should be called God's children—and we are!

- When we believe that Jesus died on the cross to rescue us from the eternal punishment of sin, we become a part of God's family and become his children!
- How does this make you feel?

I am known and accepted

October Week 3: Closing

SMALL GROUP CHATS

- How did you see God in your life this past week?
- The Bible tells us that we are children of God who are wonderfully made. What are some other things we are told in Scripture about our identity?
- In what ways do you show others you love them?
- How can you show God's love to someone this week?

"WHO AM I?" CONNECTION

Looking back at the scripture passages today, complete the following statements and discuss:

God is _____

I am _____

Therefore _____

LIVE IT OUT

SHARE A BIBLE VERSE WITH SOMEONE

Discussing a Scripture passage with another student may help them grow in their faith, be encouraged, or avoid temptation. There is always value in sharing Scripture!

CLOSING PRAYER

Father God,
Thank you for creating us wonderfully according to your good plans. Thank you for your love and forgiveness and all the promises in the Bible. Thank you, Jesus, that you call us to be your followers, just like you called Matthew. In Jesus' name, amen.

I am known and accepted

NOVEMBER

*I will never
be alone*

November Week 1: Opening

LEADER TIPS

Officers, come early before each meeting to pray for that day's CFC.

For the opening and closing prayer during the meeting, consider having a student volunteer (not always an officer) read the prayer or say their own prayer.

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Icebreaker



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INTRO

The theme for this year is "Who Am I?".

This month's theme is "I will never be alone."

OPENING PRAYER

Father God,
Thank you for the Bible, so that we can learn more about you and about others who followed you, like we are going to learn today. Thank you for their example on what it means to be a follower of you. In Jesus' name, amen.

I will never be alone

November Week 1: Bible Study

BIBLE STUDY LESSON

Take turns reading the passages, then break into tables/groups to discuss so all students can be engaged and participate.

Overview: Today, we are going to read about three men from Judah who were in exile (removed from their home country) in Babylon because the Babylonians had taken over Judah. These three friends were selected for a three-year training program to serve the king. However, they refused to worship a statue that looked like the king.

READ DANIEL 3:14b-18

So these men were brought before the king. Nebuchadnezzar asked them, "Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, is it true that you don't serve my gods or worship the gold statue I have set up? Now if you're ready, when you hear the sound of the horn, flute, zither, lyre, harp, drum, and every kind of music, fall down and worship the statue I made. But if you don't worship it, you will immediately be thrown into a furnace of blazing fire—and who is the god who can rescue you from my power?" Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego replied to the king, "Nebuchadnezzar, we don't need to give you an answer to this question. If the God we serve exists, then he can rescue us from the furnace of blazing fire, and he can rescue us from the power of you, the king. But even if he does not rescue us, we want you as king to know that we will not serve your gods or worship the gold statue you set up."

- Do you have the same confidence in God as they did?
- What do you think helped them to be confident?
- What do you think about their faith - knowing that they said "even if he does not rescue us"?

READ DANIEL 3:24-26

Then King Nebuchadnezzar jumped up in alarm. He said to his advisers, "Didn't we throw three men, bound, into the fire?" Yes, of course, Your Majesty," they replied to the king. He exclaimed, "Look! I see four men, not tied, walking around in the fire unharmed; and the fourth looks like a son of the gods." Nebuchadnezzar then approached the door of the furnace of blazing fire and called, "Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego, you servants of the Most High God—come out!" So Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego came out of the fire.

- Who do you think the fourth man was (the "son of the gods")?
- If you know the worship song, "Another in the Fire" by Hillsong United, it's inspired by this scripture passage! Feel free to look it up and play the song or read the lyrics.

READ DANIEL 3:28

Nebuchadnezzar exclaimed, "Praise to the God of Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego! He sent his angel and rescued his servants who trusted in him. They violated the king's command and risked their lives rather than serve or worship any god except their own God."

- What does the transformation of King Nebuchadnezzar teach you about how the power of God can change us and others?

READ PSALM 118:6

The Lord is for me; I will not be afraid. What can a mere mortal do to me?

- How do you feel knowing that the Lord is with you?

I will never be alone

November Week 1: Closing

SMALL GROUP CHATS

- Share your name and a high, low, and buffalo (something random) for the week.
- **READ DEUTERONOMY 31:8** *The Lord is the one who will go before you. He will be with you; he will not leave you or abandon you. Do not be afraid or discouraged.*
- Share a time when you stood up for your faith and what was the outcome?
- How can having friends who are Christians help you in your life?

“WHO AM I?” CONNECTION

Looking back at the scripture passages today, complete the following statements and discuss:

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LIVE IT OUT

SHARE YOUR 2-MINUTE TESTIMONY

An effective way to be a witness is to share what God is doing and has done in your life. Write your 2-minute testimony and share it with a friend. As a stretch goal, share with an acquaintance.

CLOSING PRAYER

Father God,
We know that following you is not always going to be easy. Help us to stand firm in our faith and to encourage our Christian friends and family to do the same. And when we do, help us to know that you are there with us.
In Jesus' name, amen.

I will never be alone

November Week 2: Opening

LEADER TIPS

Officers: Spread out and sit with others, especially those who are sitting alone.

Do you have extra donuts left after the meeting? Use them to bless others: give them to the custodians, leave them in the teachers' lounge, or pass them out to students in the Commons

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Icebreaker



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INTRO

The theme for this year is "Who Am I?".

This month's theme is "I will never be alone."

OPENING PRAYER

Dear Lord Jesus,
Thank you for today and that we're able to gather together to learn more about you and grow in our faith. Fill us with your joy. In your name we pray, amen.

I will never be alone

November Week 2: Bible Study

BIBLE STUDY LESSON

Take turns reading the passages, then break into tables/groups to discuss so all students can be engaged and participate.

Overview: Today, we are going to read about a man named Daniel from Judah who was in exile (removed from his home country) in Babylon because the Babylonians had taken over Judah. Although a servant of the king, he continued to worship God alone and because of this, was punished by being thrown into a den of lions.

READ DANIEL 6:16-17

So the king gave the order, and they brought Daniel and threw him into the lions' den. The king said to Daniel, "May your God, whom you continually serve, rescue you!" A stone was brought and placed over the mouth of the den. The king sealed it with his own signet ring and with the signet rings of his nobles, so that nothing in regard to Daniel could be changed.

- Is it hard to be a follower of Jesus when others around you do not follow Him?
- Have you ever chosen to pretend not to follow God? If yes, why did you make that choice?

READ DANIEL 6:19-23

At the first light of dawn the king got up and hurried to the lions' den. When he reached the den, he cried out in anguish to Daniel. "Daniel, servant of the living God," the king said, "has your God, whom you continually serve, been able to rescue you from the lions?" Then Daniel spoke with the king: "May the king live forever. My God sent his angel and shut the lions' mouths; and they haven't harmed me, for I was found innocent before him. And also before you, Your Majesty, I have not done harm." The king was overjoyed and gave orders to take Daniel out of the den. When Daniel was brought up from the den, he was found to be unharmed, for he trusted in his God.

- Why was Daniel unharmed?
- The king did not want Daniel sent to the lion's den, so he was "in anguish" (v.19). How do you think the king's life was changed as a result of Daniel being saved in the den?

READ ISAIAH 41:10

Do not fear, for I am with you; do not be afraid, for I am your God. I will strengthen you; I will help you; I will hold on to you with my righteous right hand.

- Who does this verse say is with you? And what will he do?

SAY: Daniel may have been afraid, but he trusted in God more than he listened to his feeling of fear. He knew that God would be with him. He knew the words that Isaiah wrote as well as what we read last week in Deuteronomy 31:8 (read *the verse aloud in your group*). "The Lord is the one who will go before you. He will be with you; he will not leave you or abandon you. Do not be afraid or discouraged."

I will never be alone

November Week 2: Closing

SMALL GROUP CHATS

- Describe your week in three words.
- Why do you think that Daniel was able to stand firm in his faith?
 - The Bible says that Daniel spent time reading the Scriptures and praying daily.
- How often do you spend time reading the Bible and praying?
- Commit to your group to read Daniel 1, 3 & 6 this week and ask each other about it the next time you see each other.

“WHO AM I?” CONNECTION

Looking back at the scripture passages today, complete the following statements and discuss:

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LIVE IT OUT

SHARE YOUR 2-MINUTE TESTIMONY

An effective way to be a witness is to share what God is doing and has done in your life. Write your 2-minute testimony and share it with a friend. As a stretch goal, share with an acquaintance.

CLOSING PRAYER

God,
Thank you for never leaving us.
Thank you for your presence, your guidance, and your promises. Help us to follow you when it's easy and when it's hard.
We love you. In Jesus' name, amen.

I will never be alone

November Week 3: Opening

LEADER TIPS

Continue your efforts to make all feel welcome with a greeting committee and having officers sit with students they observe sitting alone.

Leaders - don't all sit together in the front row!

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INTRO

The theme for this year is "Who Am I?".

This month's theme is "I will never be alone."

OPENING PRAYER

Dear Jesus,
Please give us a heart for everyone who doesn't know you. Give us courage to talk to others about faith and share how you've changed our lives. In your name we pray, amen.

I will never be alone

November Week 3: Bible Study

BIBLE STUDY LESSON

Take turns reading the passages, then break into tables/groups to discuss so all students can be engaged and participate.

Overview: Today we are going to look at a well known chapter of the Bible. David, the writer of the Psalm, describes God has a shepherd who cares for his sheep. It's about how God provides, guides, and protects his people.

READ PSALM 23:1-3

The Lord is my shepherd; I have what I need. He lets me lie down in green pastures; he leads me beside quiet waters. He renews my life; he leads me along the right paths for his name's sake.

- What is a shepherd, and what do they do?
- David says that he has what he needs because the Lord is his shepherd. What do you think David is talking about?
- When you read these three verses, how do you feel? Peaceful or anxious? Calm or hurried?

Before you read the next passage, say: When you read “rod” and “staff,” think about protection (rod: fending off threats & attackers) and guidance (staff: hooking and redirecting the sheep). These tools of a shepherd were used to guide the sheep and to protect them from predators.

READ PSALM 23:4

Even when I go through the darkest valley, I fear no danger, for you are with me; your rod and your staff—they comfort me.

- What do you do when you are afraid? Who can you turn to when you are afraid?

READ PSALM 23:5

You prepare a table before me in the presence of my enemies; you anoint my head with oil; my cup overflows.

SAY: In this verse, David is saying that he is God's guest and that he trusts in God and knows that God will provide him with everything he needs. Although his enemies are present, David has no reason to fear, for God is with him. During the time of this writing, it was common for the host to anoint their honored guest's head with oil. This was a special honor and showed how important the individual was to the host. From this, we can see how much God loved David. (*From Christianity.com*)

- Do you think that God loves you like he loves David? How do you know that God loves you?

READ PSALM 23:6

Only goodness and faithful love will pursue me all the days of my life, and I will dwell in the house of the Lord as long as I live.

- For David, who follows God, what two things will pursue him? Do you think that is true today for those who follow Jesus?
- If you are dwelling in the house of the Lord, who is with you?
 - As a Christian, you are not alone! God is always with you!

November Week 3: Closing

SMALL GROUP CHATS

- Share your name and a high, low, and buffalo (something random) for the week.
- Have you felt lonely this week?
- How do you know that God is with you?
- How can you encourage a friend this week who may be feeling lonely?

“WHO AM I?” CONNECTION

Looking back at the scripture passages today, complete the following statements and discuss:

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LIVE IT OUT

SHARE YOUR 2-MINUTE TESTIMONY

An effective way to be a witness is to share what God is doing and has done in your life. Write your 2-minute testimony and share it with a friend. As a stretch goal, share with an acquaintance.

CLOSING PRAYER

Dear Jesus,
Thank you for your promise that those who know you are never alone. The Bible says that you are the good shepherd. Thank you for loving us, for caring for us, and for dying on the cross for us. Help us to trust you everyday.
We love you. Amen.

I will never be alone

DECEMBER

*I am broken,
yet forgiven*

December Week 1: Opening

LEADER TIPS

The third week this month is set aside for an on-campus service project, so be sure to plan that!

Be sure that at the beginning of each meeting you are reading the Recap/Intro to the large group.

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INTRO

The theme for this year is "Who Am I?".

This month's theme is "I am broken, yet forgiven."

OPENING PRAYER

Dear God,
Thank you for this day and for all who are gathered here.
Thank you for forgiveness. Teach us what that means today.
In Jesus' name, amen.

I am broken, yet forgiven

December Week 1: Bible Study

BIBLE STUDY LESSON

Take turns reading the passages, then break into tables/groups to discuss so all students can be engaged and participate.

Overview: Today, we are going to discuss the parable (a story with meaning) of The Prodigal Son. The word “prodigal” has two meanings: “wastefully extravagant” or “lavishly giving.” We will see both in this parable.

READ LUKE 15:11-19

A man had two sons. The younger of them said to his father, “Father, give me the share of the estate I have coming to me.” So he distributed the assets to them. Not many days later, the younger son gathered together all he had and traveled to a distant country, where he squandered his estate in foolish living. After he had spent everything, a severe famine struck that country, and he had nothing. Then he went to work for one of the citizens of that country, who sent him into his fields to feed pigs. He longed to eat his fill from the pods that the pigs were eating, but no one would give him anything. When he came to his senses, he said, “How many of my father’s hired workers have more than enough food, and here I am dying of hunger! I’ll get up, go to my father, and say to him, ‘Father, I have sinned against heaven and in your sight. I’m no longer worthy to be called your son. Make me like one of your hired workers.’”

- What definition of prodigal did you see in this passage of Scripture?
- Have you ever asked for something and then wasted what you were given?

READ LUKE 15:20-24

So he got up and went to his father. But while the son was still a long way off, his father saw him and was filled with compassion. He ran, threw his arms around his neck, and kissed him. The son said to him, “Father, I have sinned against heaven and in your sight. I’m no longer worthy to be called your son.” But the father told his servants, “Quick! Bring out the best robe and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. Then bring the fattened calf and slaughter it, and let’s celebrate with a feast, because this son of mine was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found!” So they began to celebrate.

- What definition of prodigal did you see in this passage of Scripture?
- Have you ever been shown love and forgiveness like this son received?

READ LUKE 15:25-28, 31-32

Now his older son was in the field; as he came near the house, he heard music and dancing. So he summoned one of the servants, questioning what these things meant. “Your brother is here,” he told him, “and your father has slaughtered the fattened calf because he has him back safe and sound.” Then he became angry and didn’t want to go in. So his father came out and pleaded with him... “Son,” he said to him, “you are always with me, and everything I have is yours. But we had to celebrate and rejoice, because this brother of yours was dead and is alive again; he was lost and is found.”

- Have you felt like the other son when someone has been forgiven for something you wouldn’t do?
- In this parable, who represents the sons and who represents the father?
- How should we feel when someone is forgiven by God?

I am broken, yet forgiven

December Week 1: Closing

SMALL GROUP CHATS

- Share your name and a high, low, and buffalo (something random) for the week.
- Read Psalm 86:5, “For you, Lord, are kind and ready to forgive, abounding in faithful love to all who call on you.”
- Just like the Father in the parable forgave his son, we are forgiven by God, our Father, when repent (turn away from sin and turn to God).
- How can we show gratefulness to God for forgiving us our sin?
- How can we forgive others?

“WHO AM I?” CONNECTION

Looking back at the scripture passages today, complete the following statements and discuss:

God is _____

I am _____

Therefore _____

LIVE IT OUT

PARTICIPATE IN A FAITH CLUB SERVICE PROJECT

As a club, decide on a service project that you can do within our outside of your school. Bless others with the love of Jesus!

CLOSING PRAYER

Dear Jesus,
Thank you that you are always ready to forgive. Thank you that we are never too far gone for you. Help us to seek forgiveness from our sins and draw close to You
We love you. Amen.

I am broken, yet forgiven

December Week 2: Opening

LEADER TIPS

The third week this month is set aside for an on-campus service project, so be sure to plan that!

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INTRO

The theme for this year is "Who Am I?".

This month's theme is "I am broken, yet forgiven."

OPENING PRAYER

Dear God,
Thank you for today! Thank you that you forgive us when we confess our sin to you and repent. We are thankful that you are forgiving. In Jesus' name, amen.

December Week 2: Bible Study

BIBLE STUDY LESSON

Take turns reading the passages, then break into tables/groups to discuss so all students can be engaged and participate.

Overview: Today, we will discuss sin and God's forgiveness. Do you know what sin is? Sin is everything that we think, say, or do that is in disobedience to God, the Creator of the world. Sinning is going against God's way and following our way.

READ ISAIAH 53:6

We all went astray like sheep; we all have turned to our own way; and the Lord has punished him for the iniquity of us all.

- Have you seen the video of the man who pulls a sheep out of a trench, and once he lets go, the sheep proceeds to jump back into the trench? How does this remind us of what sinning is?

READ ROMANS 6:23

For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

- Payment is another word for wages. What is the payment for sin?
- What gift did God give people through Jesus? What does this mean for us?

READ PSALM 86:5

For you, Lord, are kind and ready to forgive, abounding in faithful love to all who call on you.

- What is a characteristic of God?
- What is He ready to do?
- How often to you ask God for forgiveness?

READ I JOHN 1:9

If we confess our sins, he is faithful and righteous to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

- Does God just forgive us, or is there something that we must do?
- Why do you think this is important?

READ ROMANS 8:1-2

Therefore, there is now no condemnation for those in Christ Jesus, because the law of the Spirit of life in Christ Jesus has set you free from the law of sin and death.

- What two laws are mentioned in this verse?
- What do they mean?

I am broken, yet forgiven

December Week 2: Closing

SMALL GROUP CHATS

- Share your name and a high, low, and buffalo (something random) for the week.
- Discuss what the word “Gospel” means.
- It means Good News and John 3:16 sums it up: “For God loved the world in this way: He gave his one and only Son, so that everyone who believes in him will not perish but have eternal life.”
- If this is something that is new to you, talk with your group or a CFC leader.

“WHO AM I?” CONNECTION

Looking back at the scripture passages today, complete the following statements and discuss:

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LIVE IT OUT

PARTICIPATE IN A FAITH CLUB SERVICE PROJECT

As a club, decide on a service project that you can do within our outside of your school. Bless others with the love of Jesus!

CLOSING PRAYER

Dear God,
Thank you that you are always ready to forgive when we confess our sin to you. Thank you that because of Jesus our sins are wiped away. Help us to draw close to you. We love you. In Jesus' name, amen.

I am broken, yet forgiven

December Week 3: Opening

LEADER TIPS

Make sure all plans and details for your faith club's service project are shared.

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Service Project Ideas



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INTRO

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This month's theme is "I am broken, yet forgiven."

OPENING PRAYER

Dear God,
Thank you for this day and for all who are gathered here.
Thank you for Christmas!
Encourage us to serve others in your name to bring you glory. In Jesus' name, amen.

December Week 3: Bible Study

BIBLE STUDY LESSON

Take turns reading the passages, then break into tables/groups to discuss so all students can be engaged and participate.

Overview: Today, we will focus on the Christmas season by reflecting on the themes of hope, love, joy, and peace.

SAY: Hundreds of years before Jesus was born, God spoke through prophets in the Old Testament to tell people that the Messiah, Jesus Christ, would come.

HOPE: READ ISAIAH 9:6

For a child will be born for us, a son will be given to us, and the government will be on his shoulders. He will be named Wonderful Counselor, Mighty God, Eternal Father, Prince of Peace.

- What are some things you hope for?
- What's so hopeful about the names of Jesus in this verse?

LOVE: READ JOHN 3:16-17

For God loved the world in this way: He gave His one and only Son, so that everyone who believes in Him will not perish but have eternal life. For God did not send His Son into the world to condemn the world, but to save the world through him.

- How did God feel about the world, His creation?
- What are some ways we can show God's love to one another?

JOY: READ LUKE 2:8-12

In the same region, shepherds were staying out in the fields and keeping watch at night over their flock. Then an angel of the Lord stood before them, and the glory of the Lord shone around them, and they were terrified. But the angel said to them, "Don't be afraid, for look, I proclaim to you good news of great joy that will be for all the people: Today in the city of David a Savior was born for you, who is the Messiah, the Lord. This will be the sign for you: You will find a baby wrapped tightly in cloth and lying in a manger."

- What is joy? Is it simply happiness? Can you have joy and not be happy?
- What brings you joy?

PEACE: READ LUKE 2:13-14

Suddenly there was a multitude of the heavenly host with the angel, praising God and saying: Glory to God in the highest heaven, and peace on earth to people he favors!

- Jesus came to bring peace between us and God! How does this make you feel?
- What are some ways that we can be peacemakers?

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I am broken, yet forgiven

December Week 3: Closing

SMALL GROUP CHATS

- Share your name and a high, low, and buffalo (something random) for the week.
- What are your favorite things to do at Christmas time?
- What are some ways we can share the “Christmas spirit” all year long?
- How can you share the love of Jesus with a friend this next week?

“WHO AM I?” CONNECTION

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LIVE IT OUT

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CLOSING PRAYER

Dear God,
Thank you for your gift of hope, love, joy, and peace through Jesus. Remind us of Jesus as we celebrate Christmas this year. Helps us to share your love with others.
We love you. In Jesus’ name, amen.

JANUARY

*I am called to a
higher purpose*

January Week 1: Opening

LEADER TIPS

This month will focus on stories from the life of Moses, highlighting how God called him to a higher purpose.

The three passages are Moses in the basket (today), the burning bush, and the parting of the Red Sea.

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Icebreaker



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INTRO

The theme for this year is "Who Am I?".

This month's theme is "I am called to a higher purpose."

OPENING PRAYER

Dear God,
Thank you for this day and for all who are gathered here.
Teach us what it means to be called to a higher purpose. In Jesus' name, amen.

I am called to a higher purpose

January Week 1: Bible Study

BIBLE STUDY LESSON

Take turns reading the passages, then break into tables/groups to discuss so all students can be engaged and participate.

Overview: God's people, the Hebrews, had been enslaved in Egypt for many years because the king of Egypt (Pharaoh) was afraid that they would take over Egypt. God's people continued to grow, and in desperation, Pharaoh ordered that all Hebrew baby boys who were born needed to be killed by being thrown into the Nile River. We are going to learn about a boy named Moses who was supposed to have died in the Nile River, but instead God saved him for a greater purpose.

READ EXODUS 2:1-6

Now a man from the family of Levi married a Levite woman. The woman became pregnant and gave birth to a son; when she saw that he was beautiful, she hid him for three months. But when she could no longer hide him, she got a papyrus basket for him and coated it with asphalt and pitch. She placed the child in it and set it among the reeds by the bank of the Nile. Then his sister stood at a distance in order to see what would happen to him. Pharaoh's daughter went down to bathe at the Nile while her servant girls walked along the riverbank. She saw the basket among the reeds, sent her slave girl, took it, opened it, and saw him, the child—and there he was, a little boy, crying. She felt sorry for him and said, "This is one of the Hebrew boys."

- What do you think it took for the baby's mother and sister to do what they did by placing him in the Nile River in a basket?
- How do you think they felt when they saw Pharaoh's daughter? Why?

READ EXODUS 2:7-10

Then his [Moses's] sister said to Pharaoh's daughter, "Should I go and call a Hebrew woman who is nursing to nurse the boy for you?"

"Go," Pharaoh's daughter told her. So the girl went and called the boy's mother. Then Pharaoh's daughter said to her, "Take this child and nurse him for me, and I will pay your wages." So the woman took the boy and nursed him. When the child grew older, she brought him to Pharaoh's daughter, and he became her son. She named him Moses, "Because," she said, "I drew him out of the water."

- How do you think Moses' mother felt having her baby returned to her?
- How do you see God providing for this family?

SAY: Moses was born at a special moment in time when God was ready to lead His people out of Egypt and back to the land He had promised. This points forward to how God will use another baby, Jesus, to grow up and rescue his people from the evil of their sin.

READ EPHESIANS 2:10

For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared ahead of time for us to do.

- Do you believe that God can use you for good things?
- How have you seen God use you?

I am called to a higher purpose

January Week 1: Closing

SMALL GROUP CHATS

- Share your name and a high, low, and buffalo (something random) for the week.
- Talk about a time you were scared to do the right thing.
- Brainstorm ideas together on how you can show God's love to other students or school staff this month.

"WHO AM I?" CONNECTION

Looking back at the scripture passages today, complete the following statements and discuss:

God is _____

I am _____

Therefore _____

LIVE IT OUT

Pray for 5 students and pray with 1 student.

Model examples of simple prayers and encourage club members to be following through with the challenge.

CLOSING PRAYER

Dear Jesus,
Thank you for knowing us and having a purpose for us. Help us to see that we are called to a higher purpose, to reflect and honor You. Show us how you are with us every step of the way.
We love you. Amen.

I am called to a higher purpose

January Week 2: Opening

LEADER TIPS

This month will focus on stories from the life of Moses, highlighting how God called him to a higher purpose.

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INTRO

The theme for this year is "Who Am I?".

This month's theme is "I am called to a higher purpose."

OPENING PRAYER

Dear God,
Thank you for this day and for all who are gathered here. Encourage us to say "yes" to whatever you are calling us to do. Open our minds to what you want us to know about you today. In Jesus' name, amen.

I am called to a higher purpose

January Week 2: Bible Study

BIBLE STUDY LESSON

Take turns reading the passages, then break into tables/groups to discuss so all students can be engaged and participate.

Overview: Today, we are picking up the story of Moses, years after he was born. He no longer lived in Egypt, in Pharaoh's home, but in the wilderness. Read the first passage to see why.

READ EXODUS 2:11-12 & 15

Years later, after Moses had grown up, he went out to his own people and observed their forced labor. He saw an Egyptian striking a Hebrew, one of his people. Looking all around and seeing no one, he struck the Egyptian dead and hid him in the sand...When Pharaoh heard about this, he tried to kill Moses. But Moses fled from Pharaoh and went to live in the land of Midian, and sat down by a well.

- Do you think that Moses can or should be used by God after what he did? Why or why not?
- Do you think that God only uses perfect people to do great things?

READ EXODUS 3:2-3,7-8a,10

The angel of the Lord appeared to [Moses] in a flame of fire within a bush. As Moses looked, he saw that the bush was on fire but was not consumed. So Moses thought, "I must go over and look at this remarkable sight. Why isn't the bush burning up?" ...Then the Lord said, "I have observed the misery of my people in Egypt, and have heard them crying out because of their oppressors. I know about their sufferings, and I have come down to rescue them from the power of the Egyptians and to bring them from that land to a good and spacious land, a land flowing with milk and honey...therefore, go. I am sending you to Pharaoh so that you may lead my people, the Israelites, out of Egypt."

- What do you think Moses was feeling when hearing God speak to him? How would you feel?

READ EXODUS 3:11, 4:1, 4:10, 4:13

Moses replied four times in these ways:

1. "Who am I that I should go to Pharaoh and that I should bring the Israelites out of Egypt?" (3:11)
 2. "What if they won't believe me and will not obey me but say, 'The Lord did not appear to you?'" (4:1)
 3. "Please, Lord, I have never been eloquent—either in the past or recently or since you have been speaking to your servant—because my mouth and my tongue are sluggish." (4:10)
 4. "Please, Lord, send someone else." (4:13)
- Why do you think that Moses responded in these ways?
 - Have you ever made excuses for not doing what you were asked to do? Why?

READ EXODUS 3:12, 4:5, 4:11-12

The Lord responded to Moses in these ways:

1. He answered, "I will certainly be with you, and this will be the sign to you that I am the one who sent you: when you bring the people out of Egypt, you will all worship God at this mountain." (3:12)
 2. [Miracles] will take place so that they will believe that the Lord, the God of their ancestors, the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob, has appeared to you." (4:5)
 3. Who placed a mouth on humans? Who makes a person mute or deaf, seeing or blind? Is it not I, the Lord? Now go! I will help you speak and I will teach you what to say." (4:11-12)
- Why did Moses question what God was calling him to do? How do you do the same?
 - What did God promise to do? Look at #1 & 3.

I am called to a higher purpose

January Week 2: Closing

SMALL GROUP CHATS

- Share your name and a high, low, and buffalo (something random) for the week.
- Do you believe that you were created for a purpose?
- What are some ways that you that can be used to encourage, help, or support others and honor God because of how you were created?
- Brainstorm ways together that you can show God's love to friends at school this week.

"WHO AM I?" CONNECTION

Looking back at the scripture passages today, complete the following statements and discuss:

God is _____

I am _____

Therefore _____

LIVE IT OUT

Pray for 5 students and pray with 1 student.

Model examples of simple prayers and encourage club members to be following through with the challenge.

CLOSING PRAYER

Dear Jesus,
Thank you for knowing us and having a purpose for us. Help us to not be afraid and give excuses to do what you want us to do. Thank you for always being with us to help us!
We love you. Amen.

I am called to a higher purpose

January Week 3: Opening

LEADER TIPS

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The theme for this year is "Who Am I?".

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OPENING PRAYER

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Thank you for this day and for all who are gathered here.
Teach us more about you today and show us how we can live for you.
In Jesus' name, amen.

I am called to a higher purpose

January Week 3: Bible Study

BIBLE STUDY LESSON

Take turns reading the passages, then break into tables/groups to discuss so all students can be engaged and participate.

Overview: Last time, we learned that God told Moses to go to Pharaoh to get His people released. Moses did obey, and after a series of events (called 10 plagues), Pharaoh agreed to let the people go. As the Israelites were traveling, Pharaoh changed his mind and sent the army after them.

READ EXODUS 14:10-12 (the Israelites were camped by the Red Sea)

As Pharaoh approached, the Israelites looked up and there were the Egyptians coming after them! The Israelites were terrified and cried out to the Lord for help. They said to Moses, "Is it because there are no graves in Egypt that you have taken us away to die in the wilderness? What have you done to us by bringing us out of Egypt? Isn't this what we told you in Egypt: Leave us alone so that we may serve the Egyptians? It would have been better for us to serve the Egyptians than to die in the wilderness."

- Why do you think the Israelites responded this way when they saw Pharaoh and his army?
- Have you ever been scared when faced with an enemy?

READ EXODUS 14:13-14, 21-22

But Moses said to the people, "Don't be afraid. Stand firm and see the Lord's salvation that he will accomplish for you today; for the Egyptians you see today, you will never see again. The Lord will fight for you, and you must be quiet."...Then Moses stretched out his hand over the sea. The Lord drove the sea back with a powerful east wind all that night and turned the sea into dry land. So the waters were divided, and the Israelites went through the sea on dry ground, with the waters like a wall to them on their right and their left.

- What did Moses tell the people to not be? Why? What can fear do?
- Take 30 seconds and imagine what it would have been like to see this miracle! What would you have been most in awe of?

READ EXODUS 14:23-27

The Egyptians set out in pursuit—all Pharaoh's horses, his chariots, and his horsemen—and went into the sea after them. During the morning watch, the Lord looked down at the Egyptian forces from the pillar of fire and cloud, and threw the Egyptian forces into confusion. He caused their chariot wheels to swerve and made them drive with difficulty. "Let's get away from Israel," the Egyptians said, "because the Lord is fighting for them against Egypt!" Then the Lord said to Moses, "Stretch out your hand over the sea so that the water may come back on the Egyptians, on their chariots and horsemen." So Moses stretched out his hand over the sea, and at daybreak the sea returned to its normal depth. While the Egyptians were trying to escape from it, the Lord threw them into the sea.

- Who did the Egyptians say was fighting against them?
- God is against evil. His plan to rescue the Israelites was part of an eternal plan: sending a Savior for all people, named Jesus. How does this encourage you?

READ ROMANS 8:31

What, then, are we to say about these things? If God is for us, who is against us?

READ HEBREWS 13:6

Therefore, we may boldly say, The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid. What can man do to me?

SAY: One of God's great promises is to be with us even in times of danger or uncertainty. He can be trusted when the reality of our situation is crumbling around us.

I am called to a higher purpose

January Week 3: Closing

SMALL GROUP CHATS

- Share your name and a high, low, and buffalo (something random) for the week.
- If you are a Christian, God is always with you. Does that bring you comfort? Share with the group a time when you knew God was with you.
- Are there any “battles” that you are fighting that you need prayer for? Have you turned to God for help?
- Pray for this group this week, that God would show each of you His presence in your lives.

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LIVE IT OUT

Pray for 5 students and pray with 1 student.

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CLOSING PRAYER

Dear Jesus,
Thank you for knowing us and having a purpose for us. Thank you for always being with us. Help us to trust you and go to you in times of trouble for guidance and help.
We love you. Amen.

I am called to a higher purpose

FEBRUARY

*I have a
strong foundation*

February Week 1: Opening

LEADER TIPS

This month will focus on passages from the Bible that highlight the strength of God and the solid foundation we have in Jesus Christ.

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INTRO

The theme for this year is "Who Am I?".

This month's theme is "I have a strong foundation."

OPENING PRAYER

Dear God,
Thank you for this day and for all who are gathered here.
Thank you for the promises of who you are and how we can trust in you.
In Jesus' name, amen.

February Week 1: Bible Study

BIBLE STUDY LESSON

Take turns reading the passages, then break into tables/groups to discuss so all students can be engaged and participate.

Overview: Today we are going to read about attributes of God regarding strength and refuge. The first three passages were written in the Old Testament by a King of Israel - David.

READ PSALM 62:1-2 (written by King David)

I am at rest in God alone; my salvation comes from him. He alone is my rock and my salvation, my stronghold; I will never be shaken.

- What two things are God described as?
- Why would David use the word "rock" to describe God?

READ 2 SAMUEL 22:2-3a (written by King David)

The Lord is my rock, my fortress, and my deliverer, my God, my rock where I seek refuge. My shield, the horn of my salvation, my stronghold, my refuge, and my Savior...

- How many "my's" are listed?
- Are these verses true for you? Do you believe that God is your rock, your refuge, your Savior?

SAY: Fun Fact! In Biblical times, an animal's horn was a sign of victorious strength!

READ PSALM 28:7 (written by King David)

The Lord is my strength and my shield; my heart trusts in him, and I am helped. Therefore my heart celebrates, and I give thanks to him with my song.

- What did David say about trusting in God?
- When you think of your heart, what do you think of?
- What does David mean that his heart trusts and celebrates in God?

READ JOHN 16:33 (Jesus is speaking)

I have told you these things so that in me you may have peace. You will have suffering in this world. Be courageous! I have conquered the world.

- How can we be courageous in this world when we are suffering?
- Do the previous passages support your answer?
- How can we be confident and courageous?
- What is God's promise?

I have a strong foundation

February Week 3: Closing

SMALL GROUP CHATS

- Share your name and a high, low, and buffalo (something random) for the week.
- What are some images that come to mind when you think of strength? Do you see God in these images?
- Which passage that we read today encourages you the most?
- Is there someone you know who could use the encouragement of “God is our strength and refuge”? Talk about how you can encourage them this next week!

“WHO AM I?” CONNECTION

Looking back at the scripture passages today, complete the following statements and discuss:

God is _____

I am _____

Therefore _____

LIVE IT OUT

This month’s **Live It Out** challenge is to read the Bible with a friend. Pick a book of the Bible or key story and read it together. Then discuss what it says about God and what it means for your life. You can even try this with someone unfamiliar with the Bible!

CLOSING PRAYER

Dear God,
Thank you for being our strength, our refuge, our rock. Thank you that we can come to you! Remind us each day that you love us and are there for us in our times of need. We love you. In Jesus’ name, amen.

February Week 2: Opening

LEADER TIPS

This month we are focusig on passages from the Bible that highlight the strength of God and the solid foundation we have in Jesus Christ.

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INTRO

The theme for this year is "Who Am I?".

This month's theme is "I have a strong foundation."

OPENING PRAYER

Dear God,
Thank you for this day and for all who are gathered here. Teach us today who our lives should be built on and what that means. In Jesus' name, amen.

February Week 2: Bible Study

BIBLE STUDY LESSON

Take turns reading the passages, then break into tables/groups to discuss so all students can be engaged and participate.

Overview: Today, we are learning about whom we should build our lives upon. Spoiler: It's a Person and not things! The word "cornerstone" will be used. The definition is: *the first stone set in the construction of a stone foundation; something of great importance that everything else depends on.*

READ ACTS 4:10-12 (Spoken by Peter, a disciple (follower) of Jesus, after being questioned for healing a man.)

*Let it be known to all of you and to all the people of Israel, that by the name of Jesus Christ of Nazareth, whom you crucified and whom God raised from the dead—by him this man is standing here before you healthy. This Jesus is **the stone rejected by you builders, which has become the cornerstone.** There is salvation in no one else, for there is no other name under heaven given to people by which we must be saved.*

- Who is the Cornerstone? Why?
- What does the Cornerstone (Jesus) do?

READ EPHESIANS 2:18-22

For through him we both have access in one Spirit to the Father. So, then, you are no longer foreigners and strangers, but fellow citizens with the saints, and members of God's household, built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus himself as the cornerstone. In him the whole building, being put together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord. In him you are also being built together for God's dwelling in the Spirit.

- Who is the Father? Who is the Cornerstone?
- Do you think that this is about an actual, physical temple? Why or why not?
- Who is the foundation of the Christian faith built on?

READ MATTHEW 7:24-27 (Jesus is speaking - He had just finished talking to a crowd of people, preaching what is known as "The Sermon on the Mount".)

Therefore, everyone who hears these words of mine and acts on them will be like a wise man who built his house on the rock. The rain fell, the rivers rose, and the winds blew and pounded that house. Yet it didn't collapse, because its foundation was on the rock. But everyone who hears these words of mine and doesn't act on them will be like a foolish man who built his house on the sand. The rain fell, the rivers rose, the winds blew and pounded that house, and it collapsed. It collapsed with a great crash.

- Have you seen videos of homes collapsing as ocean waters take them down? What surprises you the most when you see them?
- Who is the rock that we should be building our lives, our foundation, on?
- How does having a solid foundation change your life?

I have a strong foundation

February Week 2: Closing

SMALL GROUP CHATS

- Share your name and a high, low, and buffalo (something random) for the week.
- Why do you think it's important to build our lives on the Cornerstone (Jesus)?
- What are ways that you can do that?
- How can we encourage each other to make Jesus the cornerstone of our lives?

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CLOSING PRAYER

Dear Jesus,
Thank you for dying on the cross for our sin. Help us daily to build our lives upon you and not of the things that can be gone tomorrow, like the houses that fall into the sea. Show us that following you is worth it. We love you. Amen

I have a strong foundation

February Week 3: Opening

LEADER TIPS

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OPENING PRAYER

Dear God,
Thank you for this day and for all who are gathered here.
Teach us more about your goodness and grace today. In Jesus' name, amen

February Week 3: Bible Study

BIBLE STUDY LESSON

Take turns reading the passages, then break into tables/groups to discuss so all students can be engaged and participate.

Overview: We've been talking about how God is our strength and about building our lives on Jesus, who died to rescue us from sin. If we have trusted in Jesus as our Savior, the one who brings us back to God, our Creator, and we build our lives on Him, then our lives change! Here are some promises from the Bible for God's children.

READ COLOSSIANS 3:1-2

So if you have been raised with Christ, seek the things above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things above, not on earthly things.

- What do you think it means to "set your minds on things above?"
- What are some examples of earthly things that might not be "things above"?
- Why do you think that focusing on earthly things may be problematic?

READ 1 CORINTHIANS 10:13

No temptation has come upon you except what is common to humanity. But God is faithful; he will not allow you to be tempted beyond what you are able, but with the temptation he will also provide the way out so that you may be able to bear it.

- How have you been tempted to do the wrong thing?
- Does this verse say you will not be tempted if you follow Jesus?
- What is the promise in the verse?

READ JAMES 1:17

Every good and perfect gift is from above, coming down from the Father of lights, who does not change like shifting shadows.

- How often do you look for the good in your life?
- How often are you thankful for the people and things in your life?
- Tell your neighbor: God gave you every single good thing in your life. He is the source of all the good you have, and He does not change!

READ HEBREWS 13:5b-6

Be satisfied with what you have, for he himself has said, I will never leave you or abandon you. Therefore, we may boldly say, The Lord is my helper; I will not be afraid. What can man do to me?

- Is it hard to be satisfied with what you have?
- Do you think that it is wrong to want things? Why or why not?
- Who does the Lord say he is in this passage?
- What do we not have to be? Is this encouraging?

I have a strong foundation

February Week 3: Closing

SMALL GROUP CHATS

- Share your name and a high, low, and buffalo (something random) for the week.
- What are other promises from the Bible do you know for followers of Jesus?
- What is one thing you are thankful for about this week?
- What is one thing you are thankful for about this school?
- Challenge: This next week keep a thankfulness journal and write down things you are thankful for each day!

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CLOSING PRAYER

Dear Jesus,
Thank you for the promises to be there for us, to give us good gifts, to help us fight temptation. We are thankful for your death on the cross, your resurrection defeating death, and for loving us every day.
We love you. Amen.

I have a strong foundation

MARCH

*I am created
for community*

March Week 1: Opening

LEADER TIPS

This month will focus on passages from the Bible that talk about our need for community, unity and love.

Today's focus is on community.

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INTRO

The theme for this year is "Who Am I?".

This month's theme is "I am created for community."

OPENING PRAYER

Dear God,
Thank you for this day and for everyone who is here. Teach us today what it means to love others because we love you. In Jesus' name, amen.

March Week 1: Bible Study

BIBLE STUDY LESSON

Take turns reading the passages, then break into tables/groups to discuss so all students can be engaged and participate.

Overview: Today, we will learn that God's desire for His people is to be in community with one another, showing love to each other.

READ ECCLESIASTES 4:9-12

Two are better than one because they have a good reward for their efforts. For if either falls, his companion can lift him up; but pity the one who falls without another to lift him up. Also, if two lie down together, they can keep warm; but how can one person alone keep warm? And if someone overpowers one person, two can resist him. A cord of three strands is not easily broken.

- Think of a braid. Are the three individual strands stronger as single strands or braided together?
- Do you think the author means to literally lift someone up when they fall, or is there an additional meaning?
- Have you been lifted up by a friend? In what way?

READ JOHN 13:34-35

I give you a new command: Love one another. Just as I have loved you, you are also to love one another. By this everyone will know that you are my disciples, if you love one another.

- What word does Jesus use four times?
- Why is love so important?

READ MATTHEW 22:35-40

And one of them, an expert in the law, asked a question to test him [Jesus]: "Teacher, which command in the law is the greatest?" He said to him, "Love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the greatest and most important command. The second is like it: Love your neighbor as yourself. All the Law and the Prophets depend on these two commands."

- Why do you think Jesus said to love God in three ways: heart, soul, and mind?
- Who is your neighbor?
- What things can you do to show love to your neighbor?

I am created for community

March Week 1: Closing

SMALL GROUP CHATS

- Share your name and a high, low, and buffalo (something random) for the week.
- How does it look to show love to others?
- How have you been shown love by another person who follows Jesus?
- Why do you think that it's important for people who love and follow Jesus to show love to others who also love and follow Jesus?
- Who at school this week, who may or may not know Jesus, can you show love to?

“WHO AM I?” CONNECTION

Looking back at the scripture passages today, complete the following statements and discuss:

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LIVE IT OUT

Commit to two spiritual disciplines:

- (1) Prayer
- (2) Reading your Bible.

Journal on or write a goal on how you will grow in these two areas.

CLOSING PRAYER

Dear Jesus,
Thank you for teaching us that it is important to love others. Help us to do that everyday because we want to be like you.
We love you. Amen

March Week 2: Opening

LEADER TIPS

This month will focus on passages from the Bible that talk about our need for community, unity and love.

Today's focus is on unity.

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The theme for this year is "Who Am I?".

This month's theme is "I am created for community."

OPENING PRAYER

Dear God,
Thank you for calling us to encourage one another and be in unity. Help us to learn what your Word has to say about being united. In Jesus' name, amen.

I am created for community

March Week 2: Bible Study

BIBLE STUDY LESSON

Take turns reading the passages, then break into tables/groups to discuss so all students can be engaged and participate.

Overview: Today, we will learn how Christians should treat and think of one another.

READ 1 CORINTHIANS 12:20-21,24b-27

As it is, there are many parts, but one body. The eye cannot say to the hand, "I don't need you!" Or again, the head can't say to the feet, "I don't need you!"...Instead, God has put the body together, giving greater honor to the less honorable, so that there would be no division in the body, but that the members would have the same concern for each other. So if one member suffers, all the members suffer with it; if one member is honored, all the members rejoice with it. Now you are the body of Christ, and individual members of it.

- Think about the human body and how it functions. Can one body part act independently of another part?
- Why is it important to think of Christians as a body?

READ HEBREWS 10:23-25

"Confession of our hope": What we claim about Jesus. He is our hope.

Let us hold on to the confession of our hope without wavering, since he who promised is faithful. And let us consider one another in order to provoke love and good works, not neglecting to gather together, as some are in the habit of doing, but encouraging each other, and all the more as you see the day approaching.

- When you think of the word "provoke," do you think of it in a positive way? How is it used in this passage?
- As Christians, how should we act with one another?

READ GALATIANS 6:1-4

Brothers and sisters, if someone is overtaken in any wrongdoing, you who are spiritual, restore such a person with a gentle spirit, watching out for yourselves so that you also won't be tempted. Carry one another's burdens; in this way you will fulfill the law of Christ. For if anyone considers himself to be something when he is nothing, he deceives himself. Let each person examine his own work, and then he can take pride in himself alone, and not compare himself with someone else.

- What two things are Christians supposed to do with other believers?
- How are we supposed to think about ourselves?
- What does comparison lead to?

March Week 2: Closing

SMALL GROUP CHATS

- Share your name and a high, low, and buffalo (something random) for the week.
- Have you experienced jealousy in your friendships? What are things that you can do to combat those feelings?
- Have you had a person in your life that walked alongside you during a difficult time and helped carry your burdens?
- If you could choose one word to describe this week's Bible study, what word would you choose?

"WHO AM I?" CONNECTION

Looking back at the scripture passages today, complete the following statements and discuss:

God is _____

I am _____

Therefore _____

LIVE IT OUT

Commit to two spiritual disciplines:

- (1) Prayer
- (2) Reading your Bible.

Journal on or write a goal on how you will grow in these two areas.

CLOSING PRAYER

Dear Jesus,
Thank you that we do not walk the Christian life alone, but that we are part of a body - a body that encourages each other, carries each other's burdens, and points each other to the hope in you. Help us to treat each other with love and respect.
Amen.

March Week 3: Opening

LEADER TIPS

This month will focus on passages from the Bible that talk about our need for community, unity and love.

Today, we will be learning about all three needs.

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INTRO

The theme for this year is "Who Am I?".

This month's theme is "I am created for community."

OPENING PRAYER

Dear God,
Your instructions for us to live with community, unity, and love are so important. Open our hearts to show these things to those around us. In Jesus' name, amen.

I am created for community

March Week 3: Bible Study

BIBLE STUDY LESSON

Take turns reading the passages, then break into tables/groups to discuss so all students can be engaged and participate.

Overview: This month we have been focuses on passages from the Bible that talk about our need for community, unity, and love. Today, we will be learning about all three.

READ 1 THESSALONIANS 5:14-18 (This passage is in a letter from Paul - a follower of Jesus - to the church in the city of Thessalonica.)

And we exhort you, brothers and sisters: warn those who are idle, comfort the discouraged, help the weak, be patient with everyone. See to it that no one repays evil for evil to anyone, but always pursue what is good for one another and for all. Rejoice always, pray constantly, give thanks in everything; for this is God's will for you in Christ Jesus.

- Looking at the list of things Paul is saying to do, what is the easiest for you to do? What is the hardest?
- Have you ever had a fellow Christian warn, comfort, or help you?

READ ROMANS 15:1-2, 7

Now we who are strong have an obligation to bear the weaknesses of those without strength, and not to please ourselves. Each one of us is to please his neighbor for his good, to build him up...Therefore welcome one another, just as Christ also welcomed you, to the glory of God.

- Do you think that we are to be sincere when building up our neighbor, or is the act of just encouraging them enough? Why or why not?
- Have you experienced a time when doing something for someone else encouraged you? Share about it.

READ COLOSSIANS 3:12-15

Therefore, as God's chosen ones, holy and dearly loved, put on compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience, bearing with one another and forgiving one another if anyone has a grievance against another. Just as the Lord has forgiven you, so you are also to forgive. Above all, put on love, which is the perfect bond of unity. And let the peace of Christ, to which you were also called in one body, rule your hearts. And be thankful.

- Of all the things to "put on", which is difficult and which is easier for you?
- When have you experienced someone acting in one of those ways to you? How did it make you feel?
- What is the perfect bond of unity? Why do you think that is? Is it easy to do?
- What in this passage will help you to put on love?

I am created for community

March Week 3: Closing

SMALL GROUP CHATS

- Share your name and a high, low, and buffalo (something random) for the week.
- Are you a part of a church or other faith community?
- How has being in that community helped to strengthen your faith?
- The last passage talked about forgiveness. Is forgiving others easy or difficult for you?
- Why is it important to forgive? Give two reasons.
- Think of one friend from CFC or church that you can encourage this week and commit to doing it.

“WHO AM I?” CONNECTION

Looking back at the scripture passages today, complete the following statements and discuss:

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LIVE IT OUT

Commit to two spiritual disciplines:

- (1) Prayer
- (2) Reading your Bible.

Journal on or write a goal on how you will grow in these two areas.

CLOSING PRAYER

Dear God,
Thank you for creating us to be in community with each other. Help us to be vulnerable and open to encouragement. Help us to think of others more than ourselves and be a witness for you.
In Jesus' name, amen.

APRIL

*I am meant
to grow*

April Week 1: Opening

LEADER TIPS

This month will focus on our need to grow in our faith.

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INTRO

The theme for this year is "Who Am I?".

This month's theme is "I am meant to grow."

OPENING PRAYER

Dear God,
Thank you for everyone here today! We love you and want others to know about you, too! Teach us today what it means to have a strong, rooted faith. In Jesus' name, amen.

April Week 1: Bible Study

BIBLE STUDY LESSON

Take turns reading the passages, then break into tables/groups to discuss so all students can be engaged and participate.

Overview: Today, we will discuss where we should be rooted so that we can live a life for Christ Jesus.

READ JEREMIAH 17:7-8

The person who trusts in the Lord, whose confidence indeed is the Lord, is blessed. He will be like a tree planted by water: it sends its roots out toward a stream, it doesn't fear when heat comes, and its foliage remains green. It will not worry in a year of drought or cease producing fruit.

- Have you seen the roots of a tree near the shore of a lake or a river? What did you notice?
- How is trusting the Lord like a tree putting its roots in water? How can trusting in the Lord help you when things around you seem hopeless?

READ COLOSSIANS 2:6-7

So then, just as you have received Christ Jesus as Lord, continue to walk in him, being rooted and built up in him and established in the faith, just as you were taught, and overflowing with gratitude.

- Is simply receiving Jesus enough for your relationship with Jesus?
- What things can you do to be "rooted" and "built up in him"?

READ 2 PETER 3:17A-18

Therefore, dear friends... be on your guard, so that you are not led away by the error of lawless people and fall from your own stable position. But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. To him be the glory both now and to the day of eternity.

- How do you grow in the knowledge of Jesus?
- Why do you think the word "grace" is before "knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ" in this scripture passage?
- How can grace and knowledge help you to be on guard from things that take you away from Jesus?

SAY: Now read what Jesus taught:

READ JOHN 15:1,4-6a

I am the true vine, and my Father is the gardener... Remain in me, and I in you. Just as a branch is unable to produce fruit by itself unless it remains on the vine, neither can you unless you remain in me. I am the vine; you are the branches. The one who remains in me and I in him produces much fruit, because you can do nothing without me. If anyone does not remain in me, he is thrown aside like a branch and he withers.

- Have you ever cut flowers from a plant or bush (think of lilacs) and put them in water. Are they able to grow new flowers? Why not?
- Can you grow in your faith if you are not connected to Jesus?
- What does Jesus say will happen if you are not connected with (don't remain in) Jesus?
- What does that mean?

I am meant to grow

April Week 1: Closing

SMALL GROUP CHATS

- Share your name and a high, low, and buffalo (something random) for the week.
- What things do you do to grow in your faith?
- 2 Timothy 3:16-17 says, “All Scripture is inspired by God and is profitable for teaching, for rebuking, for correcting, for training in righteousness, so that the man of God may be complete, equipped for every good work.”
- Do you spend time reading and studying your Bible? Take time this week to read from the book of John to get to know Jesus!

“WHO AM I?” CONNECTION

Looking back at the scripture passages today, complete the following statements and discuss:

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LIVE IT OUT

Commit to two spiritual disciplines:

- (1) Being in Christian community: fellowship
- (2) Sharing your faith with others: witnessing.

Journal on or write a goal on how you will grow in these two areas.

CLOSING PRAYER

Dear Jesus,
Our relationship with you is more than just knowledge in our heads, but it's in our hearts. Help us to get to know you more as our Savior and as our friend. Thank you that you want to know us and that you welcome us all the time because you love us.
Amen.

April Week 2: Opening

LEADER TIPS

This month will focus on our need to grow in our faith.

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INTRO

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This month’s theme is “I am meant to grow.”

OPENING PRAYER

Dear God,
Thank you for today and for everyone who is here! Today teach us how to not just listen to what you say but to live out what we believe.
In Jesus’ name, amen.

April Week 2: Bible Study

BIBLE STUDY LESSON

Take turns reading the passages, then break into tables/groups to discuss so all students can be engaged and participate.

Overview: Today's Scripture passages teach us not only to read the Bible, but also to do what it says. Our faith is more than just belief - it is action as well.

READ JAMES 1:22-25

But be doers of the word and not hearers only, deceiving yourselves. Because if anyone is a hearer of the word and not a doer, he is like someone looking at his own face in a mirror. For he looks at himself, goes away, and immediately forgets what kind of person he was. But the one who looks intently into the perfect law of freedom and perseveres in it, and is not a forgetful hearer but a doer who works—this person will be blessed in what he does.

- Have you ever looked into a mirror and been surprised by what you saw of yourself? What was surprising?
- When we persevere and do what God's word says, what will happen to us?
- How have you been blessed when you obeyed God's word?

READ MICAH 6:8

Mankind, he has told each of you what is good and what it is the Lord requires of you: to act justly, to love faithfulness, and to walk humbly with your God.

- What do you think it means to act justly?
- What does humble/humility mean? What does it mean to walk humbly with God?
- Why is humility necessary when faithfully following God?

READ COLOSSIANS 3:23-24

Whatever you do, do it from the heart, as something done for the Lord and not for people, knowing that you will receive the reward of an inheritance from the Lord. You serve the Lord Christ.

- Share one or two things that you are asked to do but hate doing.
- How can this verse change your perspective on doing those things?

READ 1 JOHN 3:17-18

If anyone has this world's goods and sees a fellow believer in need but withholds compassion from him—how does God's love reside in him? Little children, let us not love in word or speech, but in action and in truth.

- What is an identifier for someone who follows Jesus?
- Is it enough to show love by words, or is something more required?
- How does that look?

April Week 2: Closing

SMALL GROUP CHATS

- Share your name and a high, low, and buffalo (something random) for the week.
- Why does God call us to live out our faith? What does that look like?
- How often do you read the Bible and then forget what you've read once you close it?
- What are things you can do to help you remember?
- How can God's word encourage you when school is hard and you don't want to do what is assigned?

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LIVE IT OUT

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- (1) Being in Christian community: fellowship
- (2) Sharing your faith with others: witnessing.

Journal on or write a goal on how you will grow in these two areas.

CLOSING PRAYER

Dear Jesus,
We obey not because we feel guilty, but we obey and do what you say because we love you and are thankful for what you did for us! Help us to do things out of our love for you every day.
Amen.

April Week 3: Opening

LEADER TIPS

This month will focus on our need to grow in our faith.

As the year comes to a close, plan to show appreciation to all who supported you throughout the year, including your advisor, parent supporters, custodians, and others. At your last meeting, consider having a “senior send-off” to honor and pray for the graduates. Be sure to introduce your new officers.

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INTRO

The theme for this year is “Who Am I?”.

This month’s theme is “I am meant to grow.”

OPENING PRAYER

Dear God,
Thank you for everyone here today. Thank you that they made the effort to come to learn more about you. Helps us today to have ears to hear so that our lives can be changed.
In Jesus’ name, amen.

April Week 3: Bible Study

BIBLE STUDY LESSON

Take turns reading the passages, then break into tables/groups to discuss so all students can be engaged and participate.

Overview: Today we are going to discuss a parable (a story with meaning) that Jesus told crowds of people who gathered to hear him speak.

READ MATTHEW 13:3-8

Consider the sower who went out to sow. As he sowed, some seed fell along the path, and the birds came and devoured them. Other seed fell on rocky ground where it didn't have much soil, and it grew up quickly since the soil wasn't deep. But when the sun came up, it was scorched, and since it had no root, it withered away. Other seed fell among thorns, and the thorns came up and choked it. Still other seed fell on good ground and produced fruit: some a hundred, some sixty, and some thirty times what was sown.

- What do you think Jesus' parable is really about?
- Who do you think the sower represents in this parable? What about the seed?

READ MATTHEW 13:18-19

So listen to the parable of the sower: When anyone hears the word about the kingdom and doesn't understand it, the evil one comes and snatches away what was sown in his heart. This is the one sown along the path.

- What kingdom is Jesus talking about?
- If you have questions about God, whom or where do you go to for answers?

READ MATTHEW 13:20-21

And the one sown on rocky ground—this is one who hears the word and immediately receives it with joy. But he has no root and is short-lived. When distress or persecution comes because of the word, immediately he falls away.

- What do roots do for plants and trees?
- Why do you think that this person didn't have roots in their faith?
- What do you do to grow in your faith?

READ MATTHEW 13:22

Now the one sown among the thorns—this is one who hears the word, but the worries of this age and the deceitfulness of wealth choke the word, and it becomes unfruitful.

- Do you think that this person trusted God with his/her life?
- Do you ever let worries or the allure of wealth and fame cloud your vision of God and what his plans might be for you?

READ MATTHEW 13:23

But the one sown on the good ground—this is one who hears and understands the word, who does produce fruit and yields: some a hundred, some sixty, some thirty times what was sown.

- What two things did this person do?
- Do you think that the understanding happened instantaneously or over time?
- How does this passage encourage and/or challenge you?

I am meant to grow

April Week 3: Closing

SMALL GROUP CHATS

- Share your name and a high, low, and buffalo (something random) for the week.
- What is the seed? (God's Word, message of Jesus)
- Who is the sower/farmer? (Anyone who shares God's Word with others)
- Think of each soil. What could be done for those seeds to take root and grow fruit?
- Reflect and share if you feel comfortable: What is the soil of your life like right now?

“WHO AM I?” CONNECTION

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LIVE IT OUT

Commit to two spiritual disciplines:

- (1) Being in Christian community: fellowship
- (2) Sharing your faith with others: witnessing.

Journal on or write a goal on how you will grow in these two areas.

CLOSING PRAYER

Dear Jesus,
Help us to be people who aren't afraid to share the truth about who you are and what you did for them. Help the soil of our lives be like the good soil so that we can be witnesses for you.
We love you. Amen.

MAY

*I am called
to share Jesus*

May Week 1: Opening

LEADER TIPS

As the school year nears its end, please start thinking about whom you want to thank for their contributions to your CFC this year and how you plan to thank them.

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INTRO

The theme for this year is "Who Am I?".

This month's theme is "I am called to share Jesus."

OPENING PRAYER

Dear God,
Thank you for everyone here as we come to an end of the school year. I pray that today you speak to each person here and that we will love you more. In Jesus' name, amen.

I am called to share Jesus

May Week 1: Bible Study

BIBLE STUDY LESSON

Take turns reading the passages, then break into tables/groups to discuss so all students can be engaged and participate.

Overview: Today we are learn how Jesus chose some of his disciples and why it's important to share our faith.

READ PSALM 34:8

Taste and see that the Lord is good. How happy is the person who takes refuge in him!

- What do you think it means to “taste and see” that the Lord is good?
- What words come to mind when you think of “refuge?”
- Why would taking refuge in the Lord make someone happy?

READ MARK 1:16-20

Passing alongside the Sea of Galilee, he [Jesus] saw Simon and Andrew the brother of Simon casting a net into the sea, for they were fishermen. And Jesus said to them, “Follow me, and I will make you become fishers of men.” And immediately they left their nets and followed him. And going on a little farther, he saw James the son of Zebedee and John his brother, who were in their boat mending the nets. And immediately he called them, and they left their father Zebedee in the boat with the hired servants and followed him.

- Do you think that these men had tasted and saw that the Lord was good before they were called to follow him?
- What do you think “Fishers of Men” mean?
- Do you think that statement applies today?

READ MATTHEW 28:18-20

Jesus came near and said to them, “All authority has been given to me in heaven and on earth. Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe everything I have commanded you. And remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age.”

- A disciple is a follower or student of someone. So, Jesus wants his followers to do what?
- Who is someone who has been influential in your faith and why.
- Who will be with us as we go out and make disciples?
- How does that make you feel?

READ 1 PETER 3:14-15

But even if you should suffer for righteousness, you are blessed. Do not fear them or be intimidated, but in your hearts regard Christ the Lord as holy, ready at any time to give a defense to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you.

- If someone asks you about Jesus, what is the first thing that you think, say, or do?
- How does the last line of the Matthew passage give you courage to be able to talk about your faith?

I am called to share Jesus

May Week 1: Closing

SMALL GROUP CHATS

- Share your name and a high, low, and buffalo (something random) for the week.
- Have you ever shared the gospel with a friend or family member? How did it go?
- How do you feel about sharing the gospel with others? Why do you feel that way?
- If you don't know the gospel or unsure of what it means to follow Jesus, talk to CFC officer.

“WHO AM I?” CONNECTION

Looking back at the scripture passages today, complete the following statements and discuss:

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LIVE IT OUT

This month's Live It Out challenge: invite a friend to church, CFC, or another faith-based event. Encourage others to join you in ways you invest in your faith.

CLOSING PRAYER

Dear Jesus,
We want to be fishers of people - so that more people will know you and what you did for them for eternity and for life here on earth. Thank you for your promise that you are always with us. We love you. Amen.

I am called to share Jesus

May Week 2: Opening

LEADER TIPS

As the school year nears its end, please start thinking about whom you want to thank for their contributions to your CFC this year and how you plan to thank them.

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The theme for this year is "Who Am I?".

This month's theme is "I am called to share Jesus."

OPENING PRAYER

Dear God,
Thank you for this day and for all who are gathered here.
Teach us more about what it means to follow you.
In Jesus' name, amen.

May Week 2: Bible Study

BIBLE STUDY LESSON

Take turns reading the passages, then break into tables/groups to discuss so all students can be engaged and participate.

Overview: Jesus gave a famous sermon called “The Sermon on the Mount,” and in this sermon, he tells his followers what they are. And knowing these things, we will read the final passage for the day to know what to do with these comparisons.

READ MATTHEW 5:13

You are the salt of the earth. But if the salt should lose its taste, how can it be made salty? It's no longer good for anything but to be thrown out and trampled under people's feet.

- Which is better tasting: unsalted French fries or fries with salt?
- What does salt do to food?
- If followers of Jesus are the salt of the earth, what does that mean?

READ MATTHEW 5:14

You are the light of the world. A city situated on a hill cannot be hidden.

- What does light do to things that are in the dark?
- What do spotlights do? How should a Christian be like a spotlight?

READ MATTHEW 5:15-16

No one lights a lamp and puts it under a basket, but rather on a lampstand, and it gives light for all who are in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven.

- Do you shine your light before others or do you tend to “put it under a basket?”
- If someone compliments your good deed, who should you give the credit to?
- Are you doing good deeds to point to Jesus or yourself?

READ ROMANS 10:13-15

For everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved. How, then, can they call on him they have not believed in? And how can they believe without hearing about him? And how can they hear without a preacher?...As it is written: How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news.

- How are people to hear the good news of Jesus to be saved?
- Do you think “preacher” means an actual preacher/pastor, or could it mean anyone who tells people the gospel message - the good news?
- Back in Biblical times, people walked everywhere and feet were dirty and beat up. Knowing this, what does the last line make you think about?

I am called to share Jesus

May Week 2: Closing

SMALL GROUP CHATS

- Share your name and a high, low, and buffalo (something random) for the week.
- What are ways that you can be like salt and light in your school for Jesus?
- What things have you done to share Jesus with others at school? If nothing, what holds you back?
- How can you encourage your group to be a light for Jesus this week?

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LIVE IT OUT

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CLOSING PRAYER

Dear Jesus,
Help us to shine brightly for you in our school, in our homes, and in our friendships. Help us to be confident in who you are and what you've done for us.
We love you. Amen.

I am called to share Jesus

May Week 3: Opening

LEADER TIPS

As the school year nears its end, please start thinking about whom you want to thank for their contributions to your CFC this year and how you plan to thank them.

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OPENING PRAYER

Dear God,
Thank you for everyone that is here today! We pray that each person hears today what you want them to hear and knows how much you love them. In Jesus' name, amen.

I am called to share Jesus

May Week 3: Bible Study

BIBLE STUDY LESSON

Take turns reading the passages, then break into tables/groups to discuss so all students can be engaged and participate.

Overview: Today we are going to look at God's good plan.

READ GENESIS 1:1,31a

In the beginning God created the heavens and the earth...God saw all that he had made, and it was very good indeed.

- These verses say that all that God created was very good. When you look around at creation, including people, do you feel that everything is good? Why or why not?
- What would make things good?

SAY: All the goodness that God created has been broken by something called sin and sin separates us from God. Sin entered the world when Adam and Eve, the first two people, disobeyed God. Because of their disobedience, the Bible says "For all have sinned and fall short of the glory of God" (Rom. 3:23) and that the payment for sin is death (Rom. 6:23). And this death is being separate from God for eternity and in life.

- Where do you see brokenness in your life? In your world?

SAY: People don't like living in brokenness, so they try various things to get out of it, like making money, trying to be the best at something, being in relationships, doing good things, or doing things to try to numb the pain. The problem is that none of these things actually help people overcome brokenness. They might seem to help for a short time, but then people find themselves back in a state of brokenness. God didn't keep humanity in their brokenness; He made a way out of it.

READ JOHN 3:16

For God loved the world in this way: He gave his one and only Son, so that everyone who believes in him will not perish but have eternal life.

READ EPHESIANS 2:8-9

For you are saved by grace through faith, and this is not from yourselves; it is God's gift - not from works, so that no one can boast.

- How often do you make choices to try to earn God's love or grace?
- When you read that God's love and grace are gifts, how does that make you feel?

READ ROMANS 5:8

But God proves his own love for us in that while we were still sinners, Christ died for us.

READ 2 CORINTHIANS 5:21

He made the one who did not know sin to be sin for us, so that in him we might become the righteousness of God.

- Who in your life is someone you'd do anything for? Would you willingly die in their place for them?
- Jesus knew no sin but died in our place to save us. Talk about how amazing that is!

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May Week 3: Bible Study

Continued

SAY: Jesus willingly came to earth as a man - He was fully God and fully human, but was without sin. He was perfect. And while he was on earth, he taught people what it meant to love God, obey God, and follow God. Then, to rescue us from sin, he died on the cross and rose from the dead to restore the broken relationship we had with God. We need to accept this gift of Jesus by doing what it says in Romans 10:9:

READ ROMANS 10:9

If you confess with your mouth, "Jesus is Lord," and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved.

READ 1 JOHN 1:9

If we confess our sins, he is faithful and righteous to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness.

- Why do you think that confessing sin (not simply believing) is important?

READ JOHN 14:26 (Jesus is speaking)

But the Counselor, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you all things and remind you of everything I have told you.

READ ROMANS 8:26

In the same way the Spirit also helps us in our weakness, because we do not know what to pray for as we should, but the Spirit himself intercedes for us with inexpressible groanings.

- Have you found yourself praying for someone or something, but do not know the words to say? How does this verse give you comfort?

SAY: Once someone confesses their sin and believes that Jesus died on the cross and rose from the dead, they enter the family of God! And God sends His Holy Spirit to that person to help them in their faith. The Holy Spirit is our Helper. He helps us live in this broken world - to get through the hard times and point others to the hope we have in Jesus Christ.

SAY: Before we go into small groups, I want you to know that there are people here that would love to talk to you more about this Gospel message. If you have questions, or are ready to follow Jesus and become a Child of God, find one of us afterwards.

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May Week 3: Closing

SMALL GROUP CHATS

- Share your name and a high, low, and buffalo (something random) for the week.
- Is there anything that you heard today that is confusing?
- If you have already accepted Christ as your Savior, how has following Him changed your life?
- Are there things that you don't know about God? Who can you turn to for answers to your questions?

“WHO AM I?” CONNECTION

Looking back at the scripture passages today, complete the following statements and discuss:

God is _____

I am _____

Therefore _____

LIVE IT OUT

This month's Live It Out challenge: invite a friend to church, CFC, or another faith-based event. Encourage others to join you in ways you invest in your faith.

CLOSING PRAYER

Dear Jesus,
Thank you for coming to earth to live a sinless life and to die to give us life: life forever in heaven, and life here on earth with the Holy Spirit as our helper. Please help us to trust you every day.
We love you. Amen.