



Bad Advice
Wk #4 - Do You Boo Boo
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LEADER PREP

GOAL OF SMALL GROUP

The goal today is to inspire students to see the adventurous changes God wants for our lives.

SCRIPTURE

2 Corinthians 5:17
John 3:2-3

THINK ABOUT THIS

Like our eternal-perspective lesson two weeks ago, this lesson might invoke an initial negative reaction within students at first because sometimes as God transforms our lives, that means He wants us to say “no” to something. **Encourage and inspire your students that those “no’s” are super small compared to the size of all the “yes’s” God wants to bring to their lives.** It’s like saying no to playing in a sandbox because God wants to take you on a trip to Hawaii. Yeah, that would be a mistake! **When we trust God has the best for us, it’s easier to trust Him to transform our lives.**

This guide is a suggestion, not a formula. Adjust the questions and activities as needed, and don’t feel like you need to do, or ask, everything you see here. Let the students and the Holy Spirit guide the conversation, too.



CONVERSATION GUIDE

MAIN POINT

God wants to transform you in the best way possible.

GET THEM TALKING

1. What is something that may be true about you now that you don’t think will be true about you 5 years from now?

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

2. What stood out to you from the message today?
3. What do you think it means that God wants to transform you?
4. What do you think He wants to transform you into?

READ 2 Corinthians 5:17 and answer the following questions:

5. According to this verse, when we accept Jesus into our lives, we become a new person. If that’s true, then why does it seem like certain parts of our life don’t really change much after we start following Jesus?

READ John 3:2-3 and answer the following questions:

6. Jesus teaches that the only way we can spend eternity with Him is to be born again.
7. What does it mean to be “born again”?
8. If you were to start your life over today, but you lived the way Jesus designed you to live from the beginning, what might your life look like?
9. What is keeping you from making that decision today?

NEXT STEP

Encourage everyone in the group. Remind them that choosing to follow Jesus gives us a new start. He forgives us of all of our past sins and every day, from whenever they make the decision to follow Him, God can work with them to rewrite their story. Living a life that honors God and is full of purpose starts with them saying yes to Him.

PRAYER GUIDE

Dear God, my life hasn’t been the best thus far, because I’ve been living it without you. But I want to be the person you designed me to be. I want people to see Jesus when they look at me. Teach me how to live. I promise to live for you. In your name I pray, Amen.

Close your time together in prayer.

SCRIPTURE

MS students are concrete thinkers, so opening your Bible to read the Scripture with them is a preferred visual cue.

John 3:2-3

“After dark one evening, [Nicodemus] came to speak with Jesus. “Rabbi,” he said, “we all know that God has sent you to teach us. Your miraculous signs are evidence that God is with you.” Jesus replied, “I tell you the truth, unless you are born again, you cannot see the Kingdom of God; “Jesus replied, ‘I assure you, no one can enter the Kingdom of God without being born of water and the Spirit.”

2 Corinthians 5:17

“...anyone who belongs to Christ has become a new person. The old life is gone; a new life has begun.”