

# Switch Message Guide

*Middle School Leader Guide  
Becoming like Jesus together.*

## WAR OF WORLDVIEW / WEEK 2

### SCRIPTURE:

Read as a group

- Genesis 2:16–17 (NIV)

“You are free to eat from any tree in the garden; but you must not eat from the tree of the knowledge of good and evil...”

This is the core command God gives Adam — the foundation for the message idea that right and wrong comes from God, not us.

### Warm up

- What’s a rule you think is dumb?
- What’s a rule you actually think is good?
- Have you ever broken a rule you knew was there?

(Laugh with them. No deep answers needed yet.)

### DISCUSSION

Let’s talk about the Bible.

Curiosity, not teaching.

- How do people usually decide what’s right or wrong?
- Do you think right and wrong change depending on the person?
- Have you ever felt like something was wrong... even if no one told you it was?

⚠️ Leader reminder: Don’t fix answers. Just affirm honesty.

### TENSION

Ask these slowly. Let them answer from experience.

- Why do we sometimes do what we know is wrong?
- Is it harder to know what’s right... or harder to actually do what’s right?
- Have you ever convinced yourself something was “fine” even though you knew it wasn’t?

### Leader-Owned Tension Statement

(Do NOT ask this as a question. Say it.)

“Sometimes we don’t do the wrong thing because we don’t know what’s right... we do it because we want to.”

### Connect it:

- If everyone decided their own version of right and wrong, what would happen?
- Why do you think rules exist in the first place?

### ⚠️ IMPORTANT:

Do not explain yet. Let the message answer this tension.

### LISTEN FOR THIS

Listen for this during the message:

- Listen for why God gets to decide what’s right and wrong — and why that’s actually good news.

OR

- Listen for what happened the first time people decided to define right and wrong for themselves

### PRAY

Close your group time with a short prayer.

## WHERE TO NEXT?

### Switch Youth Youtube:

Scan the QR code to dive deeper into the Scripture from this week’s message.

### Bible Plan:

Disciple-Making Disciples



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High School Leader Guide  
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## WAR OF THE WORLDVIEW WEEK 2

### SCRIPTURE:

READ AS A GROUP

- GENESIS 1:1
- GENESIS 1:27

#### Ask about verse (brief):

- What word/words stands out to you from that verse?
- Why that word?

These questions help students name what they just heard, not debate it.

- What part of the message stuck with you?
- What part of the Genesis story stood out differently than before?
- What line felt the most challenging?

### Discussion: Genesis 3:1

“Did God really say...?”

Ask:

- Why do you think the serpent started with a question?
- How does doubt about God’s character lead to disobedience?
- Where do you see that same strategy happening today?

### TENSION

Ask:

- Where in your life are you tempted to define right and wrong for yourself?
- What’s an area where you know what God says... but you don’t really want to obey?
- Do you struggle more with not knowing what’s right, or not wanting to do what’s right?

⚠ **Let them answer.**

**Don’t fix it.**

Connect it:

- If morality is based on God’s character, what does that mean for how you make decisions?
- What would change if you actually trusted that God’s commands are for your deepest happiness?

Optional follow-up:

- What’s one area where obedience feels costly right now?

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