

Switch Message Guide

*Middle School Leader Guide
Becoming like Jesus together.*

WAR OF WORLDVIEW / WEEK 3

SCRIPTURE:

Read as a group

- Genesis 4:9 (NIV)
- “Then the Lord said to Cain, ‘Where is your brother Abel?’ ‘I don’t know,’ he replied. ‘Am I my brother’s keeper?’”

Warm up

- If you could be known for one thing in the future, what would it be?
- When people describe you, what do you hope they say?
- Do you think who you are today is shaping who you’ll become later?
- Is it harder to share something small (like food)... or something big (like your time)?

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

DISCUSSION

Let’s talk about the Bible.

Curiosity, not teaching.

- Do small choices actually matter?
- Have you ever made a small decision that turned into a big problem?
- Do you think your intentions matter more... or your decisions?

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

TENSION

Ask these slowly. Let them answer from experience.

- Is it easier to think about yourself or other people?
- Have you ever wanted something so badly you didn’t really care how it affected someone else?
- Why do you think it’s hard to put others first?

Leader-Owned Tension Statement

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

“The choices you make today are shaping the person you’re becoming.”

Connect it:

- Do you think loving other people is mostly about feelings... or choices?
- What makes it hard to sacrifice your own comfort for someone else?

⚠️ IMPORTANT:

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

LISTEN FOR THIS

Listen for this during the message:

- Listen for how two brothers made two very different choices — and how those choices shaped who they became.

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PRAY

Close your group time with a short prayer:

WHERE TO NEXT?

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Bible Plan:

Disciple-Making Disciples



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High School Leader Guide
Becoming like Jesus together.

WAR OF THE WORLDVIEW WEEK 3

SCRIPTURE:

READ AS A GROUP

- GENESIS 4

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 Cain & Abel story hit you differently tonight?
- What line from the message stuck with you?
- When you think about Cain and Abel, which one do you relate to more — and why?
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Discussion: Genesis 4:9

“Am I my brother’s keeper?” WotW Week 3 - Message Outline

Ask:

- Why do you think Cain asked that question?
- What does that question reveal about his heart?
- Do we ever ask that question in quieter ways?

Optional follow-up:

- What would the opposite of that mindset look like?

TENSION

Ask:

- Where in your life are you tempted to prioritize yourself over others?
- What’s a situation right now where love would require sacrifice?
- Do your decisions reflect who you want to become?

⚠ Let them answer.

Don’t fix it.

Connect it:

- If love is a choice to sacrifice yourself to serve others, where is that hardest for you right now?
- What is one specific sacrifice you could make this week for someone else?

Optional deeper follow-up:

- What might it cost you?
- What kind of person would that choice form you into? Optional follow-up:
- What’s one area where obedience feels costly right now?

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