

Switch Message Guide

*Middle School Leader Guide
Becoming like Jesus together.*

FALLEN KINGDOM WEEK 1

SCRIPTURE:

Read Ecclesiastes 3 together

“Yet God has made everything beautiful for its own time. He has planted eternity in the human heart, but even so, people cannot see the whole scope of God’s work from beginning to end.”

Ecclesiastes 3:11

Warm up

- Have you ever been really excited for something... and then it wasn't as good as you thought?
- What's something you thought would make you happy... but didn't last?
- If you could fix one broken thing in the world, what would it be?

DISCUSSION

Let's talk about the Bible.

Have someone read: Ecclesiastes 3:11

“God has planted eternity in the human heart...”

Ask:

- What do you think it means that God put “eternity” in our hearts?
- Why do you think we always feel like we want more

Leader reminder: Don't fix answers. Just affirm honesty.

TENSION

Ask these slowly. Let them answer from experience.

- Do you think people sometimes look to the wrong things to feel happy?
- Why do you think we try to fix things on our own instead of trusting God?
- Have you ever made a choice you thought would help... but made things worse?

Leader-Owned Tension Statement

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

“We all know something's broken... but we don't always know how to fix it.

Connect it:

- If something feels broken in life, where do people usually go to fix it?
- Why do you think those things don't fully work?

IMPORTANT:

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

LISTEN FOR THIS

Listen for this during the message:

Listen for why we were made for more — and why nothing in this world fully satisfies us.

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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FALLEN KINGDOM/ WEEK 1

SCRIPTURE:

READ AS A GROUP

READ ECCLESIASTES 3 TOGETHER

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 the most?
- Which king's story stood out to you — Saul, David, or Solomon — and why?
- What moment made you think, "that's kinda like me"?

Discussion:

Ecclesiastes 3:11

_"God has planted eternity in the human heart..."

Ask:

- What do you think it means to have "eternity" in your heart?
- Why do you think nothing in this world fully satisfies us?

Optional follow-up:

- Where do people usually try to find that satisfaction?

TENSION

Ask:

- Where have you been looking for something to satisfy you... that hasn't worked?
- What "king" (approval, success, relationships, control, etc.) are you most tempted to follow?
- Have you ever seen one small compromise turn into something bigger than you expected?

Pause. Let it sit.

Let them answer. Don't fix it.

Connect it:

- What would it actually look like for Jesus to be King of your life — not just in words, but in decisions?
- What is one area where you need to take yourself off the throne and trust Him instead?

Optional deeper follow-up:

- What's been holding you back from fully trusting Him?

JOURNAL MOMENT (Optional)

Prompt:

"Where am I trying to be my own king instead of trusting Jesus?"

IMPORTANT:

They don't need to share if they don't want to share.

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