

SEPTEMBER THEME

TOGETHER

SCRIPTURE Acts 1:9-11; 15-20; 2:1-4; 13; 46-47; 42-47; 3.

BOTTOM LINE Together we are braver



- Please get your bin.

MY GOAL FOR THE NIGHT:

THINK ABOUT THIS

This month in StuMin our theme is Together. The goal for the month is for our students to take ownership of the way that they contribute to unity within their small group and the large group here at church and out in the wider world. Tonight our Bottom Line is that together we have greater impact. In large group we'll talk about the things that keep us from impacting our community as well as some solutions to those problems. We'll also dream about what impact StuMin will have in the future.

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Large Group Interactions

- **Barriers to Impact** - We'll spend time as a large group identifying the things that are keeping us from having a greater impact in our community. After this small groups will have time to talk through the barriers that they identify with the most.
- **Solutions to Barriers** - As small groups we'll talk about solutions to the most commonly identified barriers. We'll share these with the group.
- **Early church barriers are similar to ours** - Encourage your students to write down these passages that detail the ways the early church dealt with similar problems to our own.
- **20 years from now stories** - Each student will get a piece of paper and a marker that they can use to write about what they hope StuMin will have accomplished as a group. We will post these on the walls in the room.
- **Instagram Fields of Faith** - If your kids have a social media account, ask them to share the details about Fields of Faith coming up on Monday, October 8.

Small Group Study

Connect

Highs/Lows and Prayer Requests - Share your “highs” and “lows” with the group and then gather prayer requests to distribute to the group for prayer throughout the next week. You can get paper for this activity at the leader bin cart or you can have the students use their phones. We suggest setting up a “group chat” using one of the following platforms: iMessage on iPhone, email, groupme, snapchat, instagram, or facebook.

Questions

- What’s the best prank that you’ve ever pulled or heard about? What made that prank successful?
- Give an example of how people can make a bigger impact together rather than by themselves. Can you think of a time when a group didn’t have a greater impact together? Why? What are some examples that you can think of in your experience as a part of Prince of Peace or out in the community?
- If StuMin and all of the other youth groups you know of disappeared tomorrow, what would the community notice? Would it be a net positive or negative for the community? Why? What does it look like when a church impacts the community?
- There are a lot of barriers to our small groups and StuMin community having a greater impact than we currently do in our community. What are some of those that you can think of? Do you have personal experience with some of these barriers? Would you mind sharing?
- In dating, or in pranks there are obvious incentives that make you want to be innovative and give a great effort. What is the incentive for you to be innovative and passionate about our impact in the community?
- How do cultural forces such as gender, race, economics, and age affect our ability to have a greater impact as a ministry? What are some examples that you can give of the ways that these forces affect us? Is it possible that these same forces can be leveraged for greater impact? How so?
- How can we impact people who don’t believe the same way that we do?

Notes and Prayer Requests

EXTRAS

20 Year Stories

What You Need: None

What you Do: If you are in the early shift of small groups, have your students think 20 years into the future. Then have them think of a story about what impact they hope the StuMin community has had on our area. It would go something like, “in the last twenty years, the StuMin community from Prince of Peace has collaborated with Campus Faith Clubs to plant 100 new clubs in communities across the country by hosting leader trainings.” or “In the last twenty years, the StuMin community has become a champion for kids in our community who do not have a voice.” If you have a late group, take your group back to the Family Room to read through some of the stories people wrote and posted on the walls.

JUST FOR FUN

Unity Activities

What You Need: Supplies found in the Media Center

What You Do: In the Media Center you’ll find a variety of activities that you can take to your space or another part of the building. These activities will force your group to work together-and have some fun! Each activity has debrief questions. Once you finish your activity, bring it back to the Media Center and then make your way to your small group space to finish your time together.