

## HIGH SCHOOL MINISTRY (4 YEAR PLAN)

### OBJECTIVES

#### Gospel-Centered Development

The Gospel message is integrated into the teaching and interactions of the group. It is communicated in a way that becomes organic. Students have the opportunity to see, hear, and respond to the Gospel on a regular basis.

#### Training in Theology

Our students have a very weak understanding of theological concepts and basic doctrines of the church. Curriculum will focus on major theological and doctrinal topics. As we explore these subjects, students are allowed to question and search for answers in Scripture; developing personal conviction on these subjects. We want them to question what they've been taught, and seek answers in a safe environment. This will include a minor focus on apologetics.

#### Guidance for Christian Living

Our High School students are preparing to enter adulthood. As they enter colleges and workplaces that largely deny the truth of the Bible they will also face intensified temptation and freedom to sin (along with other challenges of young adulthood), they will no longer rely on guidance from parents. **They'll rely on what they've decided to be true.** Our goal will be to provide guidance for Christian living rooted in the character of God, conveyed through the truth of His Word. Not just "because we said so."

### TEACHING

#### Big Ideas: Knowing God & Living as He Designed

There are two main objectives in this cycle: (1) improve students' understanding of Christian Theology and (2) guide them through personal development in Christian Living. Theological topics may also include apologetic approach. Will focus on theological concepts that every young believer should understand at a basic level. Christian Living topics will focus on the "why" behind God's design for living. Encouraging students to develop **personal** understanding and desire to live as the Creator intends.

#### Other Themes: Know the Bible - Relationships - Godly Priorities - Truth

Other themes are designed to address subjects and challenges that our High School students encounter. Teaching is formatted in an age-appropriate progression.

#### Theology

The one True God	Salvation and the Gospel
Sin and the Fall	The Holy Spirit
Satan - The Enemy	The Church
Jesus our Lord and Savior	Future Events

#### Christian Living

Jesus as Lord and King	Temptation, Sin, & Repentance
Prayer and Bible Life	The Great Commission
Holiness and Purity	Living Toward Others

#### Other Themes

- Know The Bible - Biblical Overview, Reading, Studying
- Relationships - Parents, Friends, Dating, Marriage, God's Design for Sex
- Godly Priorities - A Life Balance that Glorifies God and Points People to Jesus
- Truth - Standing on Truth in a World That Denies it Exists

### DISCIPLESHIP

#### Parents and Discipleship

Our objective is support parents and guardians as primary disciplers of High School Students. We want to encourage parents and guardians to **decide, commit, and grow** as disciple makers in the home.

**DECIDE** For some of us, this is a new component to our parenting. We need a fresh understanding of what God is calling us to do. This is God's design for disciple-making in the home and we're asking you to consider taking this next step.

Eph. 6:4: Fathers, do not provoke your children to anger, but bring them up in the discipline and instruction of the Lord.

**COMMIT** As parents we are busy. Our children have packed schedules. We need a fresh commitment to interrupt our routine for the sake of our child's future, in Christ. Weekly resources and group sessions will be provided for parents/guardians.

Deut. 6:7: You shall teach them diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house, and when you walk by the way, and when you lie down, and when you rise.

**GROW** As our children grow and develop, so does discipleship. We will work to provide resources and support as we navigate parenting as disciple-makers.

Psalm 78:4 We will not hide them from their children, but tell to the coming generation the glorious deeds of the LORD, and his might, and the wonders that he has done.

### ACTIVITIES

#### Fellowship and Growth

- Ministry within the Church Body
- Local Outings
- Christian events/concerts
- Biannual Retreat
- Church Camp

#### Outreach and Missions

- Community Service Opportunities
- Outreach Events with Emphasis on Unsaved
- Evangelism and Training (example: Dare to Share)
- International Mission Trip