

CATALOGUE OF RESOURCES



YOUTH MINISTRY NETWORK RESOURCES

Bible Study Resources for 10-20 year olds

Over 170 studies - plus much more * deals with relevant issues* easy to use *
questions that capture young people's imagination and generate discussion *
questions that encourage depth of sharing * questions that encourage
application * interesting and varied fonts and graphics *
most studies contain Bible study text from CEV *
print or photocopy sessions for your whole group * tried and tested *

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OTHER RESOURCES

The following resources are also available for purchase. Give us a call for more details.

BIBLE STUDIES FOR YOUTH LEADERS

- 0401 Nehemiah - Building the Walls (5 sessions)
- 0402 Ephesians - Shepherding the Flock (6 sessions)
- 0403 II Timothy - The Heart of a Young Believer (4 sessions)
- 0404 Joshua - Possessing the Land (5 sessions)

SIMULATION GAMES

- 0601 The Success Fantasy
- 0602 Revelation

DEVOTIONAL BOOKLETS FOR PERSONAL STUDY

- 0701 A Call to Worship
- 0702 A Call to Repentance
- 0703 A Call to Character
- 0704 A Call to Thanksgiving
- 0705 A Call to Identity



INTRODUCING YOUTH MINISTRY NETWORK RESOURCES

Youth Ministry Network Resources are designed for use with young people meeting in small groups. Their simplicity and depth make them useful for leaders at all levels. Experienced youth leaders will find that they provide a helpful starting point for building a complete programme, while young people who have the responsibility of leading a cell group of peers will appreciate the easy to follow, interesting format that makes for time saving preparation.

YMN Bible Studies and Discussions have been developed in New Zealand for New Zealand young people. They deal with issues of interest to them in a non-threatening, conversational manner. They have been used with young people and then altered, adapted and improved as necessary.

The resources come as "Mini-Series". This has a number of benefits:

- Young people are given time to come to grips with various aspects of a topic before moving on to a new one
- The leader has time to discover the implications a given topic has in the lives of the young people they lead and then follow up with pastoral care as necessary
- The leader is encouraged to hold young people accountable for what they learn by introducing each session with a time of reflection on the previous discussion and ways it has been applied.

Now here's the really good news! Built into the cost of the resources is the right to photocopy in full as many copies as you wish for use within your own church! That means that all your leaders and even your young people can have their own copy at no extra charge to you. You can include sections in publicity handouts and youth group calendars.

YMN Bible Studies and Discussions provide a good "skeleton" from which to begin if you wish to add your own creative ideas. You can even cut and paste sections into your own "made to measure" resources. YMN Bible Studies and Discussions contain more material than you are likely to use. Therefore you can delete those questions or sections that are not quite as relevant to your young people, and still have a full discussion time.

If used well, YMN Bible studies and Discussions get young people talking. All questions used in the study have been set with one of the following progressive aims in mind:

- Will this question spark conversation?
- Will this question help young people understand what the Bible says?
- Will this question encourage young people to talk about what's important in their life?

As well as being interesting and challenging to "church kids", YMN Bible Studies and Discussions are designed with the needs of the unchurched in mind:

- They begin by talking about issues common to church and unchurched young people alike. (That way everyone starts off on an equal footing)
- They feature text from the new Contemporary English Version of the Bible (used by permission). This new translation has been especially developed so as to be "jargon free" and easy to read. This means that a new arrival at your youth group need not feel left out because they do not have a Bible, or if they do bring one, it turns out to be their grandmother's King James Version! It also helps less confident readers in reading passages out loud.
- Bible study questions are based on the text read. No question presumes previous Biblical knowledge, so church and unchurched young people remain on an equal footing
- They encourage depth of sharing through personal questions. The most powerful evangelistic tool to reach young people today is a group of their peers sharing honestly and receiving understanding and support.

Most importantly, YMN Resources pin your young people down! We need to help young people see that Bible study is not an intellectual exercise, but something that challenges us to change. Therefore each resource concludes with questions that help your group members respond personally to the implications of what has been discussed as well as helping them see ways in which they might put into practice what they have learnt.

For just \$100 (incl. shipping) you can own this full set of resources on a CD-ROM. To order phone 06 357 7533, or email murray@youthtrain.co,m You can view samples at our website:

http://youthtrain.com/html/resources/ymn_bible_studies.php



CHARACTER STUDIES FOR OLDER TEENS

WISDOM

Catalogue No: 0301

Young people learn the value of wisdom when facing the many decisions that confront them in life.

HOPE

Catalogue No: 0302

Life can sometimes present us with overwhelming problems. Yet the Christian allows God to use these trials to develop hope in our lives.

ZEAL

Catalogue No: 0303

No one ever accomplished anything of value in their lives without enthusiasm and commitment - in other words, zeal!

SENSITIVITY

Catalogue No: 0304

In order for us to minister to the needs of others, we need first to develop the ability to be sensitive to those needs

GENEROSITY

Catalogue No: 0305

The key to our receiving the spiritual blessings God wants to bestow on us is the willingness to generously pass these blessings on to others

BOLDNESS

Catalogue No: 0306

The challenges that life brings along with the call to live a life of obedience means that the believer needs to walk in boldness

JOY

Catalogue No: 0307

At times life can bring hardship and suffering but the character of the Christian sees them experience an inner joy that rises above tragedy.

HUMILITY

Catalogue No: 0308

The quality of humility sees the believer preferring the needs of others ahead of their own.

FAITHFULNESS

Catalogue No: 0309

In order for God to consistently use us, we must remain faithful to Him, even when so many other things demand our attention and affection.

PURITY

Catalogue No: 0310

It is not enough to simply believe in Jesus. To follow Him means to love purity the way He did and to strive to live as such.



BIBLE STUDIES FOR TEENAGERS

JOURNEY TO THE CENTRE OF THE CHURCH

Catalogue No: 0209

A look at three descriptions of the church and the implications of each one for young people (3 sessions):

1. The Church as a Family
2. The Church as a Body
3. The Church as a Bride



THE PATHWAY TO GREATNESS

Catalogue No: 0210

A study of the way along the Path to Greatness as illustrated through the third and fourth chapter of Matthew's Gospel. (4 sessions)

1. Stop Playing Games (Matthew 3:1-12)
2. Surrender to God (Matthew 3:13-18)
3. Triumph Over Temptation (Matthew 4:1-11)
4. Forsake all to Follow (Matthew 4:12-25)

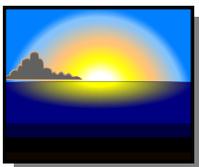


THE BLESSING AND THE PROMISE

Catalogue No: 0211

A look at the beatitudes as found in Matthew chapter 5 (4 sessions)

1. The Blessing Found in Pain (Matthew 5:1-5)
2. The Blessing Found in Purity (Matthew 5:6-8)
3. The Blessing Found in Persecution (Matthew 5:9-12)
4. The Purpose of God's Blessing (Matthew 5:13-16)



RESOURCES FOR INTERMEDIATES

MEN AND WOMEN OF THE OLD TESTAMENT

Catalogue No: 0001

This series was written especially for intermediates. The sessions are based on characters from the Old Testament but the main focus is on the lessons that arise from their lives. The ten sessions deal with the following subjects in a manner that intermediates can relate to and understand:



1. Temptation (Adam and Eve)
2. Popularity (Noah)
3. Faith (Abraham)
4. Suffering (Joseph)
5. Leadership (Moses)
6. Fear (Gideon)
7. Guidance (Samuel)
8. Pride (Saul)
9. Friendship (David and Jonathan)
10. Prayer (Daniel)

MEN AND WOMEN OF THE NEW TESTAMENT

Catalogue No: 0002

Similar to the series above, this series is based on characters who appear in the New Testament, but the main focus is on the lessons that arise from their lives. The sessions are as follows:



1. Prejudice (The Woman From Samaria)
2. Being a Witness (John the Baptist)
3. Forgiveness (Peter)
4. Loyalty (Judas)
5. Change (Paul)
6. The Future (John)
7. Moral Decisions (Woman Caught in Adultery)
8. Death (Lazarus)
9. Money (The Rich Young Ruler)
10. Hypocrisy (The Pharisees)



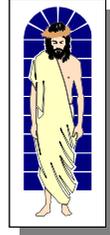
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THE LIFE OF JESUS

Catalogue No: 0003

The incidents that occurred in Jesus' life and the things that He said have important lessons for all of us. This series looks at ten passages from the gospels and encourages intermediates to discuss the issues that arise from them:

1. Alcohol (Turning Water Into Wine)
2. Happiness (The Sermon on the Mount)
3. Miracles (Healing of the Sick)
4. Life's Purpose (Sending Out the Twelve)
5. The Occult (Authority Over the Devil)
6. Hunger (Feeding of the 5000)
7. Recognising Jesus (Jesus' True Identity)
8. Thankfulness (Healing of the Lepers)
9. Servanthood (Washing the Disciple's Feet)
10. Promise of the Holy Spirit (Power)

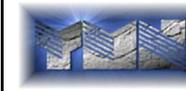


THE TEN COMMANDMENTS

Catalogue No: 0004

Although society has changed a great deal, the Ten Commandments give us timeless principles for living. This series helps intermediates to understand the ways in which the Ten Commandments are relevant for them:

1. Heroes
2. Possessions
3. The Tongue
4. Leisure
5. Parents
6. Anger
7. Love
8. Stealing
9. Honesty
10. Peer Pressure

BIBLE STUDIES FOR TEENAGERS

HEART STUFF

Catalogue No: 0205

This series looks at the state of our hearts in the light of the events of the first Easter (3 sessions):

1. A Hard Heart
2. A Faithful Heart
3. A Changed Heart



DEALING TO DOUBT

Catalogue No: 0206

All of us have times in which we struggle with doubts. These sessions help young people to explore these doubts in a constructive way (3 sessions)

1. Believe It Or Not - *Is God Really Real?*
2. Destination Unknown - *What Happens When I Die?*
3. Caught at the Crossroads - *How Can I Know God's Will?*



THE PARABLES OF JESUS

Catalogue No: 0207

A look at the relevance of Jesus' Parables to young people today (5 sessions)

1. Lost in Love (*The Prodigal Son*)
2. Sowing and Growing (*The Sower*)
3. What on Earth are You Doing for Heaven's Sake? (*The Two House Builders*)
4. Use It or Lose It (*The Talents*)
5. Learning About Love (*The Good Samaritan*)



REAL ESTATE ON THE ROCK

Catalogue No: 0208

Biblical guidelines on what it means to build an extraordinary life (3 sessions)

1. You Don't Have to be Ordinary
2. The Call to Commitment
3. Building a Firm Foundation





BIBLE STUDIES FOR TEENAGERS

An In Depth Look at the Book of REVELATION

Catalogue No: 0201

Your young people insist they want to study Revelation but where do you start?! This series looks at the important themes in "Revelation" without getting bogged down in confusing and controversial details (4 sessions)

1. You Gotta Serve Somebody
2. Tried and True
3. His Infernal Majesty
4. Coming Ready or Not



CAUGHT BY THE TRUTH

Catalogue No: 0202

What young people are taught at school may not measure up when it comes to considering the three most important questions they face in life (3 sessions)

1. Where Did We Come From?
2. Who Are We Really?
3. Where Are We Going?

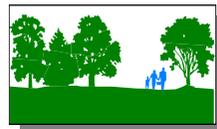


FOUNDATIONS IN FAITH

Catalogue No: 0203

Young people are taught keys to spiritual growth (4 sessions)

1. The Word on the Word - *Bible Study*
2. Hotline to Heaven - *Prayer*
3. All Together Now - *Fellowship*
4. Seen and Heard - *Evangelism*



BEHIND ENEMY LINES

Catalogue No: 0204

This look at spiritual warfare alerts young people to the tactics Satan uses to hurt and divert us from the mission and calling that is ours (3 sessions):

1. How Are You Fighting?
2. Who Are You Fighting?
3. Why Are You Fighting?



DISCUSSIONS FOR TEENAGERS

WHY WAIT?

Catalogue No: 0101

A study in boy/girl relationships with the optional use of the Josh McDowell video series "WHY WAIT?" (not included in this resource) (4 sessions)

1. Sex is Worth Protecting
2. Love - The Bottom Line for Waiting
3. Influences and Choices
4. Establishing Dating Standards

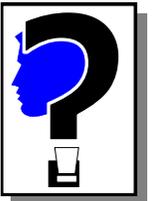


TOUGH QUESTIONS

Catalogue No: 0102

A simple series in apologetics that answers the questions your young people are asking (4 sessions)

1. Can You Prove God Exists?
2. Why Trust the Bible?
3. Is Jesus Really God?
4. Why Doesn't God Stop the Pain?



RADICAL RESPECT

Catalogue No: 0103

Challenge your young people to live a life of radical difference by making "respect" the governing principle in all their relationships (5 sessions):

1. Respecting Parents
2. Respecting Authority
3. Respecting Others
4. Respecting Relationships
5. Respecting God



THE SUCCESS FANTASY

Catalogue No: 0104

Through this series young people are challenged to examine priorities and their goals in life (3 sessions)

1. Money for Nothing
2. Life in the Fast Lane
3. Serve Us or Service?





DISCUSSIONS FOR TEENAGERS

MUSIC

Catalogue No: 0105

A favourite topic with young people! Teach discernment by discussing the good, the bad, and the ugly in today's music (2 sessions)

1. The Heart of Rock and Roll
2. I Believe in Music

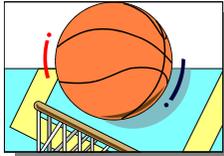


SLAM DUNK

Catalogue No: 0106

A great series for the sports fanatics in your youth group! A look at winning, competitiveness and participating in the game that really matters (2 sessions)

1. Learning to Win and Lose
2. Pressing On for the Prize



LIFE IN THE FRIDGE

Catalogue No: 0107

A look at the issue of self esteem and how a desire to live for God can help us to feel OK about ourselves (2 sessions)

1. Staying COOL When the World is HOT
2. Staying HOT When the World is LUKEWARM



(REAL) FRIENDS

Catalogue No: 0108

Your young people have seen the TV programme - now introduce them to the truth about friendships with others and friendship with God (3 sessions):

1. Finding a Friend
2. Being a Friend
3. Knowing a Friend



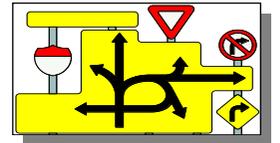
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DANGEROUS MANOEUVRES

Catalogue No: 0109

An honest look at three major dangers facing young people today (3 sessions)

1. STOP! - Addictions
2. GIVE WAY - Loose Liaisons
3. NO U TURN - Suicide is Fatal



TAMING THE TONGUE

Catalogue No: 0110

Out of the same mouth can come blessing and cursing. Help your young people discover the power of the spoken word - for better or worse!

(2 sessions)

1. Using the Tongue for Evil
2. Using the Tongue for Good



OFF THE EDGE

Catalogue No: 0111

What it means to become a Christian and to forsake the temptations of the world (2 sessions):

1. Stepping Away From the World
2. Stepping Toward God

