

Student Ministry Series Overview: Now What?

Subtitle: *Living Like Jesus Actually Rose from the Dead*

Series Description:

The resurrection of Jesus changed everything—but what does that mean for *your* everyday life? In this five-week series, we'll explore how the risen Jesus gives us a new story, a new purpose, and a new power to live differently. Whether you're dealing with doubt, figuring out who you are, or struggling to stand strong in your faith, Jesus invites you into a life that's bold, united with Him, and always growing. So the tomb is empty... **now what?** Let's find out together.

Week 1 – Walking With Questions

- **Main Scripture:** Luke 24:13–35
 - **Main Point:** Even in our doubt and disappointment, Jesus is walking with us.
 - **Sermon Summary:**
We meet two disciples walking away from Jerusalem, discouraged and confused after Jesus' death. But Jesus shows up in their confusion, walks with them, and opens their eyes to hope again. This week is about making space for your questions, realizing you're not alone in them, and trusting that Jesus is closer than you think—even when you don't recognize Him.
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Week 2 – This Is My Story

- **Main Scripture:** Acts 2; 2 Corinthians 5:18–21; 1 Peter 2:9
 - **Main Point:** We've been chosen to share God's story—starting with our own.
 - **Sermon Summary:**
After the resurrection, Jesus didn't just save people—He *sent* them. As followers of Christ, we're ambassadors of the Gospel, telling the world about what He's done in us. This message helps students understand the power of their testimony and challenges them to step into their identity as witnesses in their schools and communities.
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Week 3 – We Over Me

- **Main Scripture:** John 13:35; Colossians 3:14; John 17:21–23
- **Main Point:** The love of Jesus brings us together—and shows the world who He is.

- **Sermon Summary:**

Jesus' plan wasn't just to save individuals but to form a family—a community marked by radical love. In a world full of division, drama, and cliques, Christian unity stands out. This week we'll explore what it means to love one another deeply, fight for peace, and be the kind of community where people feel seen, safe, and supported.

Week 4 – Stand Strong

- **Main Scripture:** Philippians 3:10

- **Main Point:** Following Jesus isn't always easy, but it's always worth it.

- **Sermon Summary:**

The Bible tells us we'll face hardship for our faith—but it also tells us we can rejoice in it. In this message, we'll unpack what persecution looks like for students today (mockery, rejection, pressure to blend in), and how we can stand firm with courage, knowing Jesus suffered too. We'll also pray for believers around the world who are risking everything to follow Christ.

Week 5 – In Progress

- **Main Scripture:** 2 Corinthians 5:17; Philippians 1:6; Romans 12:1–2

- **Main Point:** God isn't finished with you—and that's good news.

- **Sermon Summary:**

You don't have to be perfect to belong to Jesus. Sanctification is the life-long process of becoming more like Him, and it happens one step at a time. This week is about embracing growth, celebrating how far God has brought you, and committing to keep moving forward—even when change feels slow or messy.