



TODAY'S MAIN POINT

Real faith produces real action

TODAY'S BIBLE VERSE(S)

James 2:14-26

TEACHING GOAL

Students will understand that real faith isn't just something we say we believe—it shows up in what we do.

LEADER NOTE:

This week, students are talking about what it means for faith to be more than something we say—it's something we live. James teaches that real faith naturally shows up in our choices, our kindness, and how we respond to people who need help. Encourage students to think about simple, everyday ways their faith can become visible this week.

Let's Break the Ice:

- What's something you really enjoy that people can easily tell you like?
- What is one way someone can tell when a person really cares about something?

Bible Study:

- Read Together or ask someone to summarize the story: As a group, read James 2:14-26 NIV (*Telos Bible Pg. 1214*)

Discussion Questions:

- According to James 2:17, what does James say happens when faith has no action?
- What examples does James give about someone being cold or hungry? Do you agree or disagree with the point he's making? Why?
- Why do you think it's possible to say you believe something but not live like it?
- What is one way you can show your faith through your actions this week? Be specific. Think about your schedule for this week.
- Which is harder sometimes: helping someone, telling the truth, or encouraging someone? Why?

Make it Real:

- If you were to ask the people in your life what is most important to you, would they say your faith or something else? (*Leader note: Be prepared to meet your students with the truth of the Gospel here. Slow down and lean in*)

Discipleship Moment:

This week, intentionally ask someone you trust what they think is most important to you. Maybe even follow up by asking them if they think your faith seems like a priority.

Partner Check-In: Pair students up and have them commit to checking in with their partner at some point during the week or during your next gathering.

Prayer:

- Close with group prayer
 - Take prayer requests
 - Celebrate what God has done over the last week