



9 MEETING IDEAS

FOR YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

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#1. DISCIPLESHIP

What an ambiguous word! The goal of this meeting is to get each team member on the same page with their discipleship plans and language.

What you need: Molding clay for each person and a cell phone timer.

Have each team member make a "vase" in a 5 minute time period and then examine how each one is different. Some are tall, short, wide skinny, good or terrible and this is the issue of discipleship without a plan. Then take the time to explain the process of discipleship you have planned out for your students.

#2. UNITY

Teams are only as good as they are unified! And this will help your team rally around like never before!

What you need: A vehicle and to split your team into multiple teams.

Have each "Team" push the vehicle (you need a driver and to have it in neutral) around a track that you have determined for time. The fastest team wins. Then while meeting all together ask some questions like this...

- What was the hardest part?
- When was it easiest?
- Why do you think you won / lost?

After hearing answers bring it all back to "unity" and then introduce a goal or event that you are going to be pushing for together.

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#3. DREAM WORLD

Everyone has a desired outcome for the ministry they are a part of! The goal of this meeting is to get them to go "all in" on whatever that is!

What you need: A blank sheet of paper and pen for each person in the meeting.

Have each person write how they see the ministry now and then after have them write how it would be in their dream world. Next on a white board write out the common words people used for how it is and highlight the good and bad things then do the same for how they would love it to be. Finally, encourage them that in order to get to the "dream world" it takes everyone working together. Have them pray and commit to seeing this happen with actionable steps.

Key Verse: Genesis 11 - Tower of Babel

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#4. BREAK THROUGH

Have you ever had a hard season of ministry? Feels like you're stuck or running into the same issues? This should help put some fight back into your team!

What you need: Sledge hammer, spray paint, door frame and 1 2x4. Cut the 2x4 in half and attach it to the bottom of the door frame so it will free stand with some screws.

Have each person write on the door one of their struggle or frustrations, preach a message about break through and victory and then let them have the time of their life breaking through the door, one at a time with the sledge hammer. Once it is down, have everyone walk through it and encourage them about getting to the other side and never settling or quitting.

Key Verse: Numbers 13 - Not quitting or being scared of the promised land

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#5. FACE IT

People matter the most! At times the focus can get lost in systems, plans or even just numbers. The fight is to keep people focussed on what matters most: PEOPLE!

What you need: Pictures of students taped to the wall. All of the chairs in the room facing the wall.

Have the leaders all come in at the same time for this meeting. Minister and teach them about the value of a soul from Luke 15. That if God cares about the 1 sheep, the 1 coin and the 1 son then He cares about them as well. Have them commit to caring about the 1 like Jesus does as well!

This will help create a sense of responsibility for souls ALSO that each number has a name and names matter to God!

Key Verse: Luke 15

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#6. BEST THING / WORST THING

A team is only as strong as they are truthful and honest with each other!

What you need: Paper and a pen for each person. Also, tables that are all facing each other.

Each team member will share with each person what they bring to the team: What they do best for the team and what they do that is harmful to the team. You should start with yourself being who the team shares this with.

*Your team must be very healthy to do this or it will do more harm than good.

Key Verse(s):

Proverbs 27:17 Reminded them of the importance of iron sharpening iron, symbolizing the team's collective growth through open feedback and collaboration.

Romans 12:3 Served as a reminder not to think too highly of oneself but to have a sober assessment of individual abilities.

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#7. WHAT YOU MIGHT NOT SEE

We often don't see how many people are in front of us that need the Gospel. It's easy for people to get in the rut and think that everyone has heard the good news already OR get discouraged about numbers.

What you need: Look up how many students attend each high school and middle school in your area. Get something to represent that amount of students. (We used gum-balls) Get 2 clear jars - 1 represents how many attend your ministry and how many are in within your reach.

For the meeting put in the gum-ball that represents the amount of students that come to your ministry and encourage the team about winning and discipling those that you have. Now bring out the other jar and fill it showing the amount of students within your reach. After this... pray with the team and ask the Lord for strategy and a burden to reach them.

Key Verse(s): Matthew 9:35-38, 10:1-15

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#8. DEATH TO SELFIE

People often live to themselves (even when they get the title "leader") and it's dangerous for the progression of the kingdom!

What you need: Casket, Mirror and Papers that represent a grave stone.

For the meeting you will want the lights low, candles going and some somber music. The goal is to have them come to a decision that the gospel is worth giving everything for. Don't focus on the loss - focus on the gain! At the end have them lay their "gravestone" in the casket and look into the mirror as a dedication to God.

Key Verse(s): Hebrews 12:2, Galatians 2:20

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#9. STOCK CARDS

The ministry is more than the Pastor and we all have "stock" in it! This meeting will show the markers that produce the proper results! Famous NCAA basketball coach John Wooden said that he would ask for what produced the results that he asked for not simply the results themselves.

What you need: We made "bookmarks" with the actions they should take to produce greater results. I.e. Call 10 students this week, go to 1 students game, start a bible reading challenge with 3-4 students.

For the meeting you want to coach them about what is valuable - the things that produce results. That each leader, pastor and parent has "stock" in the ministry and when we all get our hands involved the greater it is!

Key Verse(s): Psalm 133, Luke 16:10