

THE 5 D'S LEADER'S GUIDE

WEEK 1 - CHAPTER 1: DECISION



TIPS:

- Test the video on the device you are going to use before the meeting, just to be sure it works!
- Review the reading and the discussion questions before people arrive, so you are familiar.
- Everyone who comes to the group should have a copy of the book: THE 5 D'S. Choose how you want to run the reading & discussions time:
 - OPTION 1: Go around the group having each person read a paragraph until the reading is finished (you can tell the group if anyone doesn't want to read, they can just say "pass" and it will go to the next person).
 - OPTION 2: Choose a few readers ahead of time and have them trade off reading several paragraphs.
- If meeting in a home, tape a sign on your door that says, "Come on in!".
- Turn on some background music as people arrive... it helps!
- Not required, but snacks are always a nice touch!
- Before people arrive, spend 5 minutes praying with the other leaders of your Growth Group!

SCHEDULE FOR TODAY = 1 HOUR TOTAL!:

- 10 minutes: Welcome / Icebreaker & Get to Know You
- 5 minutes: Video
- 30 minutes: Reading and Discussion Questions
- 5 minutes: Call to Action/Application
- 5 minutes: Pray Together
- END!

1) ICEBREAKER QUESTION (CHOOSE 1 QUESTION FOR TODAY!):

- As a child, what did you want to be when you grew up?
- What's your favorite tradition or holiday?
- If you had a time machine, would you go back in time or into the future?
- You can have an unlimited supply of one thing for the rest of your life, what is it (besides money)?
- If you could live anywhere in the world for a year, where would it be?
- Where are you from? If I visited your hometown, what local spots would you suggest I see?
- If you could only eat one dessert for the rest of your life, what would it be?

2) VIDEO:

- Play the video for week 1
- Find the video at www.allpeopleschurch.org/leaders/
- You can use any device with access to the internet. Use a TV, a laptop, a tablet, or phones.
- You can watch the video together as 1 big group, or gather in smaller groups and each group can watch on a phone if that works better for you!

3) READING AND DISCUSSION QUESTIONS FROM THE BOOK "THE 5 D'S":

- 1) Read Out Loud: Pages 3-8
- 2) Discussion Questions: See questions on page 73

4) CALL TO ACTION / APPLICATION

- Ask everyone: "What is your biggest take-away from this week?"
- Ask if there is anyone who wants to give their life to Christ today. Walk them through the prayer on page 8 if someone responds.
- Discuss ideas of action you can take this week. (Invite people to church? Invite people to this Growth Group next week? Reach out to someone to have lunch and tell them about Jesus?)

5) PRAY (IN SMALLER GROUPS OR ALL TOGETHER)

- Spend some time praying together for people in your lives who have not yet made a decision for Christ.
- Pray that God will use us to share the gospel with more and more people, locally, and in the nations!

SEE YOU NEXT WEEK!