



## March Madness

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### Week 1: 1<sup>st</sup> Quarter

**What we want students to learn:** Understand various topics that can help them grow as a Christ follower.

**What we want students to do with what they've learned:** Understand the topics below and how they can apply them in their lives.

**Large Group Message Focus:** Topics covered in large group: Identity, Comparison, Intentionality, Consistency, Stewardship, Generosity, Integrity, and Self-Control.

**Scripture Focus:** Given beside each topic.

### The Main Point

This week will look a little different than most. Because of the preach-off and the content covered by the pastors, this week will be more open and will be on your discretion as the small group leader. Each topic that the pastors' spoke on will be given below and will have questions underneath them for you to use if you would like.

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### LESSON

- **Identity (1 Peter 2:9-10)**
  - *Where do you find your identity?*
  - *Why is it important to know what your identity is?*
  - *What is dangerous about finding your identity in something that can change or be taken away?*
- **Comparison (Philippians 1:4-6)**
  - *Who or what do you normally compare yourself to?*
  - *Does your comparison stem from insecurity?*
  - *How can you apply this verse to your habit of comparison?*
- **Intentionality (1 Corinthians 10:31)**
  - *How would you define a life lived with intentionality?*
  - *What does it take to live a life that matters?*

- *How can you be intentional in your walk with God? Relationships with other people?*
- **Consistency (Hebrews 13:7-8)**
  - *What are some habits to create to allow you to be consistent in prayer, quiet time, inviting people to church, etc.?*
  - *Why is it important to be consistent with these things?*
  - *Will God ever change?*
- **Stewardship (1 Corinthians 4:1-2, Matthew 6:24)**
  - *In your words, what is stewardship?*
  - *Why is stewardship of money important to God?*
  - *Who or what “masters” are trying to gain your loyalty right now?*
- **Generosity (Luke 6:38)**
  - *Does it make sense to you that giving leads to getting more than you had in the first place?*
  - *Why should we give? Who tells us to?*
  - *Has there ever been a time before where you’ve been blessed because you chose to give?*
- **Integrity (Psalm 139:23-24)**
  - *What are some of the greatest tests of integrity that you face today?*
  - *Do you think integrity is valued in today’s society? Why or why not?*
  - *What types of situations test your integrity the most? Why?*
- **Self-Control (Proverbs 25:28)**
  - *What do you think Proverbs 25:28 means?*
  - *Why do you think it is important that we have self-control?*
  - *What are some things that you need to have self-control over?*

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#### TAKE IT OUT

Close small group out with prayer requests. Pray specifically for the group and connect prayer back to the purpose of the group guide.

After prayer, be sure to remind them of any upcoming group serving activities or student events and THE WEEKEND!