DATE: Oct. 15, 2025

SERIES: BE DIFFERENT!

TOPIC: "BE HUMBLE"



Big Questions: Without naming names... Have you ever met someone who thought they were better than everyone else? As you think about that person's behavior (maybe what they said, or how they acted) how did it make you feel? Now, be honest... Have <u>YOU</u> ever acted (or spoken) in a way that others might have thought was arrogant, boastful, or rude? **Takeaway:** Just like the last two weeks, we are going to continue studying the SAME Bible passage (Romans 12:1-3) tonight! As we look at each verse (in detail) we gain a better understanding of God's plan for our life! The first week, we talked about our bodies being a TEMPLE of the Holy Spirit. Last week, we talked about not conforming to the world (and following all the latest trends!) but instead, we should let God CHANGE THE WAY WE THINK! **Tonight, we are going to talk about HUMILITY. Be HONEST in your evaluation of yourself!**

GETTING STARTED

- **WELCOME!** Anyone NEW tonight? Be sure they get supplies (if REGISTERED) For those who are just visiting as a friend, they can get supplies after they officially register.
- **TAKE ATTENDANCE!** If you have any students on your roster who did not show, please make notes if you have an update. Or, if anyone knows them, please text them!
 - O Please make notes, and we can follow up with their families as well!

SMALL GROUP COVENANT!

- Take time to REVIEW what you included in your group covenant!
 - O Remember, what is spoken in your small group, stays in your small group.

CONNECTION QUESTION

- Have ONE STUDENT in your group pick a question to start! (see the Connection sheet)
- OR go around and share HIGHS/LOWS
 - o OR use the BIG QUESTIONS (list above) to get your conversation started!

WEEKEND WORSHIP JOURNALS

 Please make sure everyone is using their Weekend Worship Journal! The goal is to complete the ENTIRE booklet this Fall! Once completed a PRIZE can be redeemed at the leader table.

OPEN YOUR BIBLES!

- Remind students to bring their Bibles EVERY Week!
 - O (we have extras in the atrium if anyone needs to borrow for the night!)
- NOTE: encourage students to work together & find the pages. HIGHLIGHT each verse!
 - (NEW TESTAMENT) Romans 12:3 (page 1373-1374)
 - What are you good at? Have you ever won a game? A medal? A trophy? Got a perfect score on a test? How does it feel to succeed at something?
 - When we WIN, how does God want us to respond?
 - In the same way, when you choose to do the right thing, and others don't, how do you treat them? Do you make them FEEL BAD about their choice, encourage them to do the right thing, or do you just stay silent? WHY?
 - What do you suppose God wants us to do in those situations?
 - o Instead of BRAGGING (thinking you are better than you really are), what does God say we should do instead? (Read VERSE 3 on page 1374.)
 - What does it mean to "BE HONEST in your EVALUATION of yourself?"
 - o Do you have someone in your life that can be a TRUTH teller for you?
 - Do you have someone who you KNOW loves you, but who can also help you
 BE HONEST in your evaluation of yourself?
 - If so, who is that person? Why are they so trusted?
 - Why is it important to have people in our lives who can help keep us HUMBLE? Are YOU someone others can trust to tell them the TRUTH (in LOVE) whenever they start to say or do something that is not of God?
 - Why is that?

PRAY TO END THE NIGHT!

- o IDEAS: (pick one! Or multiple!) Ask if any STUDENTS want to lead the prayer?
 - Or leaders can say a prayer of Gratitude and Blessing over the group!
 - Or everyone can say the Lord's Prayer ("Our Father...") all together.

CHECK OUT AT THE LEADER TABLE!

Please take a moment to return your folder (and roster attendance) to the leader table.
 If you have feedback or notes, please leave those with us as well!!

RETREAT DETAILS!

- 8th Grade Retreat coming up THIS Saturday, Oct. 18 (Submit YES/NO/MAYBE forms!)
- 7th Grade Retreat coming up Sat/Sun, Nov 15/16 (more details coming soon!)

THANK YOU!! HAVE A GREAT REST OF YOUR WEEK!