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WORLD

Powerhouse Middle School Ministries is a part of
Connect Student Ministries at ABT. Our mission goes
right along with the mission of our church.

OUR MISSION

To connect middle school students into a
growing relationship with Jesus Christ.

OUR STRATEGY

To create an environment where middle school students can...

- Prioritize their relationship with Jesus Christ
- Influence their friends
- Experience personal ministry

OUR WIN

Our win is when a middle school student discovers a
faith of their own by connecting to Jesus.

FOR MORE INFORMATION

Check out our website! It's full of pictures, videos, downloads
and more to help both students and parents connect
to Powerhouse MSM.

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THE 5 FAITH SKILLS EVERY BELIEVER NEEDS

We're big believers in thinking with the end in mind - meaning that, in everything we do; we want to do it thinking about a specific goal. The first step of thinking with the "end" in mind is to determine what the "end" actually is. These 5 Faith Skills are one of the end goals that we are always aiming for.

By the time a middle school student leaves 8th grade and moves up to Connect High School Ministries, we want them to have learned how to practice these 5 essential faith skills - they're the faith skills that every believer needs in order to know God better now, and continue growing closer to Him for a lifetime.

1. NAVIGATE THE BIBLE

**IF YOU WANT TO KNOW GOD BETTER,
READ HIS WORD!**

Students should begin to develop the habit of spending daily time in God's Word, learn to locate and understand content in the Bible, and see God's Word as a gift and a friend - not be intimidated by it.

2. PERSONALIZE SCRIPTURE

**IF YOU WANT TO KNOW GOD BETTER,
MEMORIZE AND APPLY HIS WORD!**

Students should begin to identify God's voice when he speaks to them through His Word, and be able to memorize and apply those portions of Scripture in particular.

3. DIALOGUE WITH GOD

**IF YOU WANT TO KNOW GOD BETTER,
TALK TO HIM!**

Students should begin to develop the habit of spending daily time with God in prayer, and know what a healthy prayer life (both publicly and privately) looks like.

4. SHARE YOUR GRACE STORY

**IF YOU WANT TO KNOW GOD BETTER,
TELL OTHER PEOPLE ABOUT HIM!**

Students should feel comfortable engaging in spiritual conversations with others, and be able to verbalize the story of what God has done in their lives through grace.

5. WORSHIP WITH YOUR LIFE

**IF YOU WANT TO KNOW GOD BETTER,
GIVE BACK TO HIM!**

Students should understand that worship is a daily habit of love and service to God - and it doesn't just happen through music.

We Focus On One Faith Skill A Month

The 5 Faith Skills aren't usually a part of our large-group teaching time. Instead, it is the job of our Small Group Leaders to help their students develop these faith skills throughout the year, which we help them do by providing lots of activities and tips each month.

**QUESTION:
WHAT WOULD IT LOOK LIKE IF YOU POWERED UP EACH DAY BY
SPENDING TIME WITH GOD?**

ANSWER:

Your life would change because as you draw near to God's heart He will change your heart! Remember, who you hang out with is who you will become. You were created to experience and enjoy a relationship with God and if you're not, you're getting ripped off!

So its time for you to slow down and get focused on your relationship with God, and this is a great place to start.

SCHEDULE THESE MEETINGS WITH GOD! Write down the things God says to you because He will speak to you if you're ready to listen. Its time to start developing a new habit, and it's called...

PRAY • READ • THINK • WRITE • DO

So it's time to get into the habit of pray, read, think, write and do! Your weekly POWER UP is a perfect way to get into this habit that will last you the rest of your life.

PRAY

- Begin your time with prayer. Ask God to show you something or teach you something that He has prepared just for you for that day.

READ

- Read the Power UP and the Bible verses that go along with them.

THINK

- Think about what you just read. Did you understand it? What did it mean and how can you apply that to your life?

WRITE

- Write down the answers to the questions and anything else that God has shown you during your time in His Word.

DO

- Do what He says! Actually take what God has shown you and attempt to live it out!

If you can do these steps every day for 30 days, you will develop a new habit that will change your life forever!

REFERENCES

ROMANS ROAD TO SALVATION

Romans 3:10, Romans 3:23, Romans 5:8, Romans 6:23,
Romans 10:9-10, Romans 10:13

SALVATION IS AS SIMPLE AS ABC

ADMIT that you sin
BELIEVE Jesus died and rose from the dead
CHOOSE to follow Him

HEAVEN

John 14:1-6, Rev. 21:1-5

HELL

Luke 19:19-27, Rev. 20:15

SAVED FOR SURE - FOREVER...

Have everlasting life - John 3:15-16, 36
No one can snatch you away - John 10:28-29
Not saved by good things that we do - Ephesians 2:8-9
The Bible let's us know for sure - 1 John 5:13

SIN PROBLEMS

SPEECH/ATTITUDE.....James 1:22
COMPLAINING/GRIPING.....Phil 2:14
WHAT MY EYES SEE.....Psalms 101:3
NOT READING THE SCRIPTURE.....Psalms 119:105
MUSIC.....Philippians 4:8
SEX BEFORE MARRIAGE.....1 Thess.4:4, Romans 6:8
DRINKING/DRUGS.....Prov. 20:1, James 1:15
LYING.....Eph. 4:25, Prov. 12:22
GIVING INTO TEMPTATION.....1 Cor. 10:13
DISOBEYING GOD.....Luke 6:46
JEALOUSY.....Luke 15:25-30
STEALING.....Matt.19:18
LIVING LIKE THE WORLD1 John 2:15
TONGUE.....James 3:6

WHAT DOES THE BIBLE SAY ABOUT...

COMPASSION.....	John 13:35; 1 Peter 3:8
CONTENTMENT.....	Phil 4:11, Rom. 8:28
CARING.....	Gal. 6:2; Rom.12:15
COURAGE.....	2 Tim. 11:7; Joshua 1:9
DEPENDABILITY.....	Titus 2:8
DETERMINATION.....	James 1:12; Dan 3:18
DISCERNMENT.....	Ps. 101:3; 2 Cor. 6:14
ENTHUSIASM.....	Romans 12:11
FAIRNESS.....	1 Tim. 5:21
FAITHFULNESS.....	John 20:27; Prov. 25:19
FORGIVENESS.....	Col,3:13; Luke 23:34
GENEROSITY.....	2 Cor. 9:7
HONESTY.....	Rom. 12:17; Phil 4:8
HUMILITY.....	Acts 20:19; 1 Pet. 5:5
INITIATIVE.....	Prov. 6:6-8
INTEGRITY.....	Prov. 22:1; Ec. 7:1
JOY.....	Ps. 68:19; Gal 5:22
KINDNESS.....	2 Pet. 1:7; Ps. 36:7
LOVE.....	Ps. 97:10; Eph. 5:2
LOYALTY.....	Heb 3:14; Prov 17:17
MEEKNESS.....	Titus 3:2
OBEDIENCE TO GOD.....	Acts 6:7
OBEDIENCE TO PARENTS.....	Eph 6:1
OBEDIENCE TO AUTHORITY..	Eph 6:5; Heb 13:17
ORDERLINESS.....	Ps 119:133; 1 Cor. 14:40
PATIENCE.....	James 1:3; 1 Thess 5:14
PURITY.....	2 Cor. 6:17; 1 Tim. 5:22
RESPONSIBILITY.....	1 Cor. 4:2; Matt. 17:24-27
REVERENCE.....	Heb. 12:28; Rev. 1:17
SELF CONTROL.....	Rom. 6:12,13
TENDER-HEARTEDNESS.....	Eph. 4:32
THANKFULNESS.....	Luke 17:11-19; Col. 3:15