

HOW TO HELP LEADERS PREPARE TO USE THE YOUVERSION READING PLAN

This Reading Plan is a perfect way to empower your leaders to be in deeper relationships with kids! At your next leader meeting:

- Explain the purpose of the plan
- Have all of your leaders download it right there
- Go through a couple of days, making sure that everyone is familiar with the format
- Point out the sections:
 - o Read
 - Think about this
 - o Try This
- Have your leaders make a list of all the students that might be ready for a step like this
- Ask if there are any hesitations or questions
- Discuss what obstacles might get in the way of completing this plan and how we, leaders anticipate and overcome those obstacles (background noise, dead phone battery)
- Pray together for the ways that God might use this reading plan
- All they will need is the app but when they read a lesson alone or with a student, keep paper and pen nearby in case they want to write down something important- tell kids the same thing.

HOW TO PROMOTE THE YOUVERSION READING PLAN

National Ministries created the YouVersion Reading Plan to help new teen Christians to get into Scripture and have conversations about their new faith. The best ways to promote this resource are:

In a small group

Many times the Gospel of Jesus is shared to a large group and kids are given a chance to respond. This resource would be perfect to explain right after this time in a small group setting.

- Break up into small groups with a leader in each one
- Have the kids download the app right there and explain a few parts to them (above)
- Have the leader set up a way to continue the conversation

Individually

You know what kids are ready for a step like this and what kids aren't. Ask the Father to put a few kids on your mind. The next time you meet with one (or two) of those students in an appointment setting explain what YouVersion is. Show them the plan and then ask if they would want to download it. In the plan they will see prompts like "Work it through with your leader" or "read it out loud with a friend" meet over the course of the next week to do this. Or spread it out over 2-3 weeks by having a few days in between each lesson to process.