

ENGAGE:

What Stood Out?

REFLECT ON YEC.

Ask:

What's been your favorite part of YEC so far—what's stood out to you?

Ask:

What's something from Shane Pruitt's message that really stuck with you or challenged you?

Ask:

Did anyone make a decision to follow Jesus or take a next step in their faith? ***CELEBRATE THEIR DECISIONS AND AFFIRM THEM!***



SETTING THE STAGE

HAVE STUDENTS CLOSE THEIR EYES AND IMAGINE THE SCENE AS YOU NARRATE.

Say:

Imagine standing on a hillside near the Sea of Galilee, about 30 A.D. For the last three years, you've followed Jesus, a teacher who changed everything. You saw miracles. You saw love and power like never before. But then, you saw him die. And then... you saw him alive again. And now, he's standing in front of you, about to speak some of his last words before ascending into heaven. The crowd is silent. You hold your breath, waiting to hear what he will say..."

Read:

Matthew 28:18-20

Ask:

What do you think it would have been like to be on that hillside with Jesus?

Ask:

If you had been there, who would be the first person you would have told?





TENSION:

**What's Holding
Us Back?**

Jesus gives one command in the
Great Commission:

"GO AND MAKE DISCIPLES."

Ask:

Have you ever wanted to share your
faith but held back?

Ask:

But why do so many of us hesitate?

COMMON RESPONSES:

- ⌘ Fear of rejection
- ⌘ Feeling unqualified
- ⌘ Not knowing what to say or saying the wrong thing
- ⌘ Waiting for a "special calling"



**REALITY
CHECK**

As a Christian, Jesus already called you. You don't need a neon sign or a booming voice from heaven to know your mission!



TRUTH:

You Are Already Called

Too many people wait for a special “calling” or for God to spell it out in their Lucky Charms cereal—BUT the call to follow Jesus already includes the call to his mission when you are a Christian.

Read:

Acts 1:8

“But you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes upon you, and you will be my witnesses, telling people about me everywhere—in Jerusalem, throughout Judea, in Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.”

Big Idea:

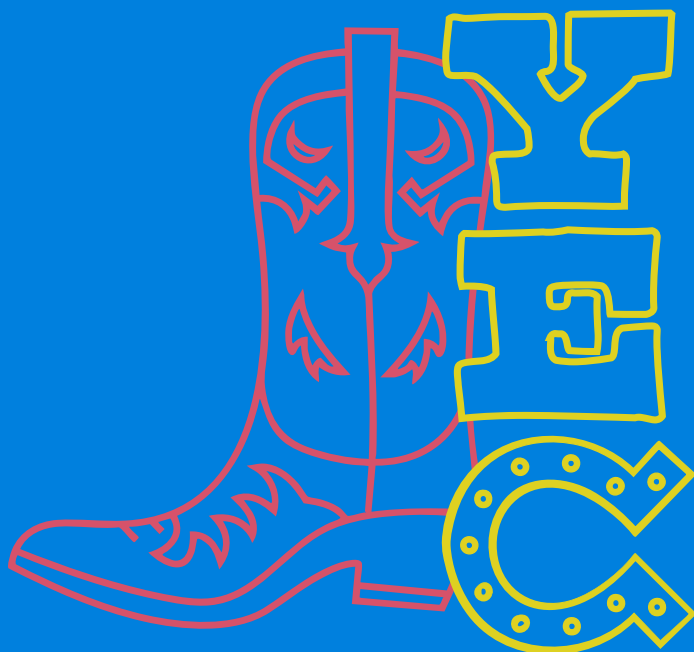
The Great Commission isn't for an elite few—it's for every believer. Your mission field starts where you are—your school, your sports team, your family, your community.

Ask:

How would your life look different if you truly believed God has called you to his mission right now—not someday, but today? How would your priorities or daily routine shift? What might need to change for you to take that step of obedience and live out his purpose where you are?

HAVE STUDENTS TAKE A MOMENT to think of three people in their lives who don't have a relationship with Jesus. If they have their phone, encourage them

to open a new notes file and type their names. If not, they can jot them down on paper. Challenge them to commit to praying for these three people daily and ask God for opportunities to share their faith with them.





APPLICATION:

How to Share Your Faith

Sharing your faith doesn't have to be complicated!

Ask:

If someone asked why you believe in Jesus, what would you say?

Know your own story.

SIMPLE STEPS TO EVANGELISM:

- ☞ What was my life like before I met Jesus?
- ☞ How did I come to follow him?
- ☞ How has my life changed since?

Invite 1-2 students to practice sharing in front of the group.

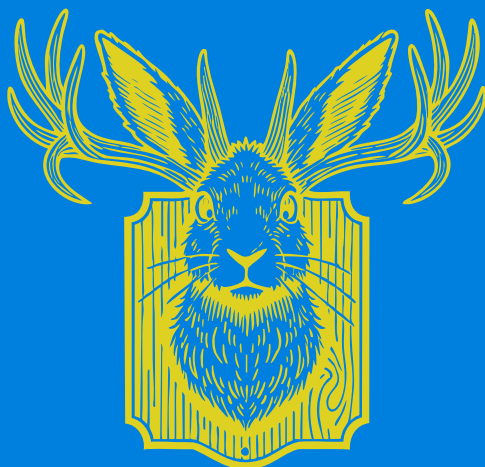
Remember:

- ⌘ Don't try to sound perfect—be honest about struggles, doubts, and how Jesus meets you in them.
- ⌘ Don't pretend you have all the answers—If someone asks a tough question, it's okay to say, "I don't know, but I'd love to find out with you."
- ⌘ Invite others into your journey—Evangelism isn't just a one-time conversation—it's inviting people to come and see.
- ⌘ For a lot of us, that might start by inviting your friend to youth group.

Or, invite them to Summit
Summer Camp this summer
[if your church is planning
to attend].

Ask:

Who is one person you can invite into
your faith journey this week?





GOSPEL

INVITATION:

**Is Jesus
Calling You?**

Ask:

After hearing all of this, is there anyone here who realizes they don't have a personal relationship with Jesus?

Read:

John 1:12:

"But to as many as received him, to them he gave the power to become the children of God, even to those who believe on his name."

If you realize that you need Jesus. You can talk to him right now. It's not about magic words, but about your heart. If you want to begin a relationship with Jesus, you can say something like this:

"Jesus, I know that I'm a sinner, and I know that I need you. I receive you as my Savior and I surrender to you as my Lord. Thank you, Jesus, for saving me."



PAUSE

Give a moment for students to pray. Encourage students who prayed to talk with a leader afterward. Let them know they are not alone, and this is just the beginning of their journey.



CALL TO MINISTRY: Is God Calling You?

The Great Commission needs laborers.

Ask:

Does anyone feel like God may be stirring or calling them into ministry or missions?

Read:

Matthew 9:37-38

"The harvest is plentiful, but the laborers are few; therefore, pray earnestly to the Lord of the harvest to send out laborers into his harvest."

Encourage students there will be a special discussion and Q&A at YEC on Saturday, where they can ask questions and learn more about the next steps to take as students in ministry and missions.





FINAL CHALLENGE & PRAYER

To all believers—Jesus has given you a purpose. Are you living in it?

Do you need courage to take the next step?

YOU SAY: "But I am so weak."

JESUS SAYS: "But I am so strong."

YOU SAY: "I am so dysfunctional."

JESUS SAYS: "I am so complete."

YOU SAY: "I am so doubtful."

JESUS SAYS: "But I am so faithful."

YOU SAY: "I am so sinful."

JESUS SAYS: "But I am so forgiving. And I lived, died, and rose from the grave to wipe your sins away."

YOU SAY: "I don't think I am anything..."

JESUS SAYS: "But I am everything—and you are in me."

Whatever you're not... whatever you need... whatever you lack—Jesus says, "I AM."

Final Charge:

The mission is waiting. Christ is worth it. Will you say 'yes' today? It's time to giddy up and go on mission for Christ!

Pray:

Close in prayer, thanking God for what he's doing and asking for boldness to make Jesus known in AND through West Virginia to the nations.

Pray also for me, that the message may be given to me when I open my mouth to make known with boldness the mystery of the gospel.

EPHESIANS 6:19