



Jesus As Creator

PASSAGES

John 1:1-18

PREPARE (MC LEADER)

1. Before leading your group into studying the passage, take some time to study and pray through the passages yourself.
2. Consider these questions as you engage with the passages that you will discuss with your MC.
 - What do these passages tell me about what Jesus is offering?
 - What do these passages tell me about how we are to respond?
 - What do these passages confront in my thinking and the ideology of the world system?
 - How might I better accept and entrust my mind, will, and emotions to this offer of Jesus?

DISCUSS (GROUP)

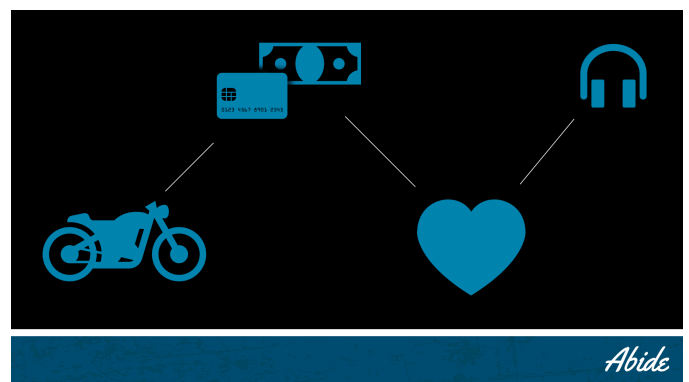
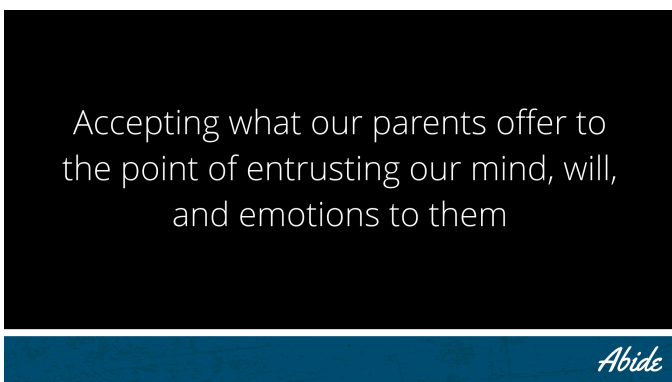
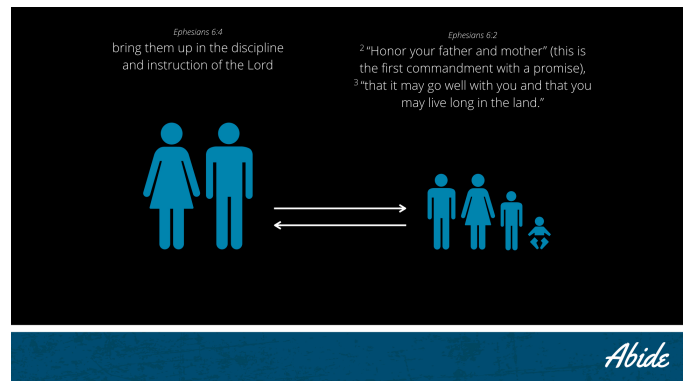
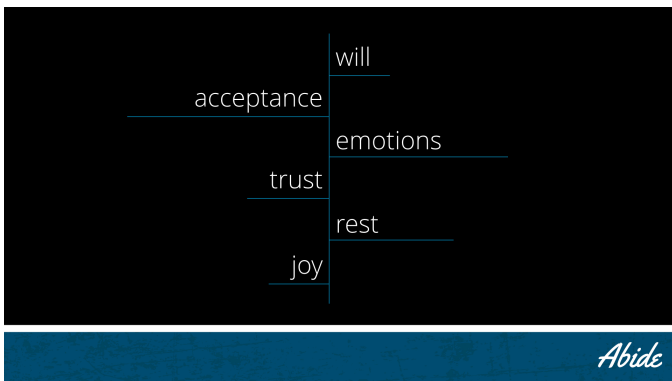
1. Review the main principle from the central teaching. (Support with a few key verses)
2. Open up for discussion, questions, or comments about the central teaching.
3. Consider these discussion leading questions to help your MC engage with the main principles presented in the central teaching.
 - In what “non-spiritual” areas of life do we practice abiding?
 - Name some practical areas where you must accept and entrust yourself to Jesus as creator?
 - What other sources do you accept and trust for light, grace, and truth?
 - What are some of the reasons why you might struggle in abiding in Jesus for these things?

APPLY (GROUP)

1. Share your own personal reflections/convictions related to accepting Jesus as creator and authority over you.

2. Lead others in recognizing their personal struggles with accepting Jesus as creator and authority over their lives. The point here is to spur on some thinking/discussion that will allow the Holy Spirit to bring about some conviction.
3. Discuss action steps that might need to be taken as individuals and as an MC. Be as practical as possible and consider ways to both encourage each other (pray, text, call, etc) and also hold each other accountable to the actions steps (next week follow-up, etc).

PRESENTATION SLIDES



Hebrews 12:6
 6 For the Lord disciplines the one he loves, and chastises every son whom he receives.

Romans 8:15
 but you have received the Spirit of adoption as sons, by whom we cry, "Abba! Father!"

Abide

Accepting what Jesus offers to the point of entrusting my mind, will, and emotions to Him

Principle

1 In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. 2 He was in the beginning with God. 3 All things were made through him, and without him was not any thing made that was made. 4 In him was life, and the life was the light of men. 5 The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.

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Abiding is accepting what Jesus offers as Creator, to the point of entrusting my mind, will, and emotions to Him

Principle

- ▶ Have you accepted the offer of Jesus as your creator? Do you desire to accept His authority over you?
- ▶ What areas of your life do you struggle in yielding over to Jesus as authority over you?
- ▶ What steps today need to be taken to more fully yield your mind, will, and emotions to Jesus?

Application