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# COLLISION TRAINING MANUAL:

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WAR STORIES: WRITING & SHARING YOUR TESTIMONY WITH BOLDNESS

# Training Video

- [Click here to watch the video on Lesson 7](#) (ideally as a group)



# Looking Back

(20-30 min)

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# Vision Casting

(5 min)

- Goal: One of the ways we do this is to form discipleship groups called Disciple Making Movements (DMMs). Our goal is that each of you begins and facilitates your own DMM, which is one of the ways that you can fulfill the Great Commission. Who can say Matthew 28:18-20 from memory (Great Commission verses)?



# Check-Up/Loving Accountability

(10 min)

- Review the BLESS Prayer Model from Lesson 6. Practice with a partner.
- Split up into groups of 2-3 and go through the **Accountability Questions** (10 minutes).



# LOOKING UP

(10-20 min)

- **Read and Discuss Scripture: John 4:25-30; 1 Peter 3:15**
- Pray and ask God to teach you these passages.
- Read & Restate: Have 1 student read the passage, have a 2nd student read the same passage in a different version, have a 3rd student restate what was said in the passage.
- Ask:
  - Considering what we know about these passages, why should we share our testimony?
  - How can we receive boldness in sharing our testimony?





# LOOKING FORWARD

(10-20 min)

## PRACTICE:

YOUR TESTIMONY: On a piece of paper, write your testimony (the story of what God has done in your life). Keep it to 3 minutes or less.

- *Talk about your life before following Jesus* - Describe your feelings (pain, loneliness), questions you had about God, or struggles you had before following Jesus.
- *Talk about how you became a follower of Jesus* - Tell them about Jesus! The essential story of Jesus is: We have all offended God with our sins. We will die because of our sins. But we are saved from death when we put our faith in Jesus, who died for our sins, was buried, and raised from the dead.
- *Talk about your life after following Jesus* - Tell them about how Jesus changed your life. Tell of the joy, peace, and forgiveness Jesus gave.

With a partner, practice how you would tell someone your testimony. **\*\*DMM FACILITATOR:** take a picture of each written testimony; **STUDENT:** take a picture of your testimony.



# LOOKING FORWARD

(10-20 min)

## ACT:

- PRAY for boldness as a DMM in sharing with others.
- Take time right now to reach out to one person on your List of 6. Call and share your testimony with them.



# TRAINING TIME

(10-20 min)

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- At the front of the Training Manual is a page called “Key Disciple Making Movement (DMM) Principles,” which every DMM leader needs to know. Read through these sections from that page: **Focused on Scripture and High Expectations & Accountability...**

### Focused on Scripture

- Focus on the Bible. Trust God’s Spirit to help each person discover the meaning of Scripture. **Facilitate conversation through asking questions rather than preaching.** This way, everyone learns to grow on their own by studying the Word. Try to make sure everyone participates.

### High Expectations and Accountability

- Students commit hours each week to extracurricular activities. How much more important is it to be learning about and involved in building the Kingdom of God! Each week, goals are set and students are held accountable to those goals the next week. As DMMs are being formed, students may actually be in 2 DMMs at the same time: their original DMM, AND the DMM they are facilitating on their own. They have a chance to be poured into, and then can pass on what they’ve learned.



# Weekly Challenge

- Tell your testimony to at least one new person throughout the week.
- Bring your written testimony back to DMM next week.
- Continue using what you learned in Lesson 3 about SOAPS and reading the Bible as a group throughout the week using the Genesis through Revelation reading plan. Have students text to the DMM throughout the week about what they are learning.

**\*\*DMM LEADER**: text the weekly challenges out to the DMM as a reminder of what to do throughout the week. Check in through phone call or text throughout the week as students are reading the Word, praying, and having conversations.



# LOOKING IN

(10-20 min)

- Pass out paper and pens. Find a quiet place, turn on your favorite worship playlist and dim the lights.

## **Worship Focus: BOLDNESS**

- Spend time praying corporately and invite God's Spirit. Pray for friends and family. Start some worship music and seek God for words of encouragement for others in the DMM. Encourage students to express themselves verbally and on paper.

