

Dangerously Influential Week 1 - Message Outline

Main Idea: Your friendships have the power to make or break your future

Big Question: How can I make good friends?

Teaching Text:¹² *Then the apostles returned to Jerusalem from the hill called the Mount of Olives, a Sabbath day's walk from the city.*¹³ *When they arrived, they went upstairs to the room where they were staying. Those present were Peter, John, James and Andrew; Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew; James son of Alphaeus and Simon the Zealot, and Judas son of James.*¹⁴ *They all joined together constantly in prayer, along with the women and Mary the mother of Jesus, and with his brothers.*¹⁵ ***In those days Peter stood up among the believers (a group numbering about a hundred and twenty)...*** Acts 1:12-15 NIV

What do we want students to *know*? Loneliness kills and lostness sucks. Thankfully, Jesus is pretty smart and came up with one solution for both of those problems: The Church, aka people following Jesus together. Jesus wants us to have awesome friendships and to make a difference. And He gave us the perfect example to follow to make both of those a reality.

What do we want students to *feel*? Hopeful that they can make friends and make a difference as they follow Jesus. Confident that being a part of the Church is the best way to cure loneliness and lostness. Inspired to take the first step and start making friends.

What do we want students to *do*? Set a goal to be at church every week this semester. Commit to go all-in with our group.

APPLICATION: So, where should you start? If you only do one thing, then do this: **Make it your goal to be here every week and go all in with our group.** Because, **your friendships have the power to make or break your future.** And the best place to make great friends is in the Church, people committed to following Jesus and changing the world together.

CONCLUSION: Jesus changed the world through a group of 120 friends who were committed to following Him. Which, funny enough, is about the size of an average Switch... If Jesus did all of that through them, imagine what He could do through us, a movement of students spread across the country and around the globe all committed to loving God, loving others, and making a difference.