



Overview of 2010 Theme for Youth Unlimited Mission Experiences

YU Theme: Who Cares?

Theme Verse: James 5:10-11 From The Message: “Take the old prophets as your mentors. They put up with anything, went through everything, and never once quit, all the time honoring God. What a gift life is to those who stay the course! You've heard, of course, of Job's staying power, and you know how God brought it all together for him at the end. That's because **God cares, cares right down to the last detail.**”

The following are the daily themes and verses that will be used in individual devotions and small group discussions each day. You may want to use these specific themes and texts for your personal/family devotions during the week of the mission experience or include these in your notes of encouragement to your student.

SATURDAY: WHO CARES?

Big Idea: God, OUR God, cares right down to the last detail.

Core Verse: James 5:10-11, from The Message

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SUNDAY: WHO CARES ABOUT THOSE IN NEED?

Big Idea: God cares for ALL people who are in need and also calls *us* to care for those in need.

Core Verse: James 1:27

“Religion that God our Father accepts as pure and faultless is this: to look after orphans and widows in their distress and to keep oneself from being polluted by the world.”

MONDAY: WHO CARES ABOUT ME?

Big Idea: God intimately cares for each and every person, even me.

Core Verse: Genesis 1:26-27

“Then God said, ‘Let us make human beings in our image, in our likeness...’ So God created human beings in his own image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them.”

TUESDAY: WHO CARES ABOUT OUR PAIN?

Big Idea: God is not ignoring our pain—God hears, sees, feels, and will respond to our pain with compassion and presence, even when we do not sense it.

Core Verse: 2 Corinthians 1:3-4

“Praise be to the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, the Father of compassion and the God of all comfort, who comforts us in all our troubles, so that we can comfort those in any trouble with the comfort we ourselves receive from God.”

WEDNESDAY: WHO CARES ABOUT GETTING STINKY FEET?

Big Idea: We bear the good news to others with our feet, which sometimes means sacrifice. But along the way our feet become beautiful.

Core Verse: Isaiah 52:7

“How beautiful on the mountains are the feet of those who bring good news, who proclaim peace, who bring good tidings, who proclaim salvation, who say to Zion, ‘Your God reigns!’”

THURSDAY: WHO CARES ABOUT BEING FAITHFUL?

Big Idea: We are called to live out God’s passion. This is only possible by the power of the Holy Spirit at work in us.

Core Verse: Galatians 5:25

“Since we live by the Spirit, let us keep in step with the Spirit.”

FRIDAY: WHO CARES ABOUT GOING DEEP?

Big Idea: God cares that what happens this week becomes more than simply a one-week experience. God’s compassion fuels our passion in everyday life at home.

Core Verse: Luke 5:4:

“Launch out into the deep, and let down your nets for a catch.” (NKJV)

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