



READ IT WEEK

**"ENTER THROUGH THE *NARROW GATE.*
FOR *WIDE IS THE GATE*
AND *BROAD IS THE PATH*
THAT LEADS TO *DESTRUCTION,*
AND *MANY ENTER THROUGH IT.*
BUT *SMALL IS THE GATE*
AND *NARROW THE ROAD*
THAT LEADS TO *LIFE,*
AND ONLY A *FEW FIND IT."***

**- JESUS
MATTHEW 7:13-14**

***SELF-CONTROL - HAVING POWER
OVER YOUR MIND, MOUTH AND BODY***



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// PREP & MATERIALS

PREPARATIONS:

Pray _____

MATERIALS NEEDED:

Bibles (Tagged) _____
Matthew 7:13-14 Club Board _____

// WELCOME

WELCOME STUDENTS INTO ROOM AND CHECK THEM IN

STUDENT PRAYS

INTRO JESUS SAID

YOU SAY: Jesus Said || KIDS SAY: Jesus Said

Where can you find what *JESUS SAID*?

YOU SAY: In the Bible

KIDS SAY: In the Bible

Jesus Said

When we talk about our verses this year we want to try and stay away from the phrase “the Bible says.” It’s important to emphasize to our FPKids that a real person said these things and a real person wrote them down. So instead we want to say “Jesus Said” and “John wrote it down.”

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Where in the Bible can you find what *JESUS SAID*?

YOU SAY: Matthew, Mark, Luke, John and Acts

KIDS SAY: Matthew, Mark, Luke, John and Acts

“Who wrote Matthew, Mark, Luke, John and Acts?”

Four of these answers are very easy. Their names are in the title! And, yes, we know them as those names, but really they don't have names that the authors wrote down. They are not normal books. They are referred to as 'The Gospel account of' their names. Who were these guys? Let's start with Matthew. This month's verse of what *JESUS SAID* is found in the Gospel account of Matthew”

Who was Matthew?

YOU SAY: One of the 12 Disciples of Jesus

THEY SAY: One of the 12 Disciples of Jesus

“Matthew was there! He was one of the 12 men Jesus called to walk with Him, learn from Him and see what He did. Matthew was a tax collector. Tax collectors were not very well liked. They worked for the Roman government at the time and took money from their Jewish people. They were viewed by their own people as traitors and cheats. Yet Jesus saw this tax collector sitting at a tax collector booth and said 'Come follow me.' Matthew got up immediately and followed Him. They ate dinner that night in Matthew's home with Matthew's friends, people everyone called 'sinner.' Matthew lived the rest of his life and died telling people the Gospel, the Good News, of Jesus.”

PASS OUT TAGGED BIBLES

HAVE A STUDENT READ IT

COACH READ IT

HAVE THE GROUP READ IT TOGETHER

Slowly Building an argument for Biblical Reliability

Every month we are building the argument for the reliability of the Bible. It's a simple pattern. What Jesus said is found in the Bible, in the Gospels and Acts, written by men who saw and were a part of Jesus' ministry.

Kids Reading It for Themselves

We want these kids to feel like they have gone to the Bible themselves and had a good experience to understand it. So, we want to put a Bible in every kid's hand with the page tagged and verse highlighted.

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// SEE IT

DEFINE THE WORDS



NARROW GATE (hands making small arch)



WIDE (hands and arms arched)



BROAD (hands parrallel out wide)



DESTRUCTION (arms crossed)



MANY (destruction arms with fingers out)



SMALL
(hands making small arch)



LIFE
(narrow hands lifted up)



NARROW
(hands parrallel in close)



FEW
(inch fingers)

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// LIVE IT

GIVE STUDENTS AN ACTIVE WAY TO RESPOND

“Here’s what I want you to do. I want you to teach this to somebody else. Teach it to your friend, to your parents, to your brothers and sisters.”



// TELL IT

STUDENT DOES GOSPEL STEP UP

// CLOSING

STUDENT PRAYS

DISMISS

Gospel Step Up

Let’s raise a generation of students that not only live the Gospel, but communicate it too. We’ll start by placing students in a place where they can succeed. They can simply read the Gospel in front of their First Priority club and we can celebrate it.

GOSPEL STEP UP

My name is _____
I am a follower of Jesus. I believe what Jesus Said.

Jesus said He loves me and created me to be like Him.

But I broke God's heart.
We all chose to live our own way.
Jesus calls that sin.

So here is the Gospel, the Good News.

"Jesus said, I am the Way, the Truth and the Life.
No one comes to the Father except through Me." John 14:6

SAY JESUS IS THE WAY (they repeat)
He died the death I deserve.
He paid the price for my sin.
To make me right with God.

SAY JESUS IS THE TRUTH (they repeat)
Jesus said that if you know Him, you know God.
Because I know Jesus, I know God.

SAY JESUS IS THE LIFE (they repeat)
Jesus gave me a new life, He put His spirit in me. Now I am a child of God.
Jesus said that whoever believes in Him will have eternal life in Heaven.

No one comes to the Father except through Jesus.
I believe in Jesus because He is the only one who can save me,
and I put my faith in Him.

Jesus said, "Who do you say that I am?"
I Say x _____
(personal response)

Who do you say Jesus is?