

Community Action – Overview

This module focuses on helping students identify specific needs in their community and suggests tactics to effectively reach people for God in those areas. The module discusses general community needs, specific issues related to high school, the willingness to serve Christ in these areas and the importance of having a mentor to help develop skills in reaching people for Christ. The module uses Scripture as examples and guidelines for these topics and encourages students to consider modern-day parallels to the Scriptural examples.

The first lesson in this module, **Introduction to Community Action**, opens students to the topic of community assessment. It is based around a survey that has students rate the importance of several different issues in their neighbourhood, school, and town/city. The students are then encouraged to decide what the greatest needs are and brainstorm ways to help meet those needs within their community.

The second lesson, **High School**, focuses specifically on the challenges of being a student in high school. It encourages students to be contagious for Christ in their school environment in a positive way. The lesson focuses on the treatment of those who may be considered outsiders. The lesson uses examples from Scripture that show how Jesus treated those who were generally shunned by society and asks students to role play a modern situation that is similar to the one they read.

The third lesson, **Self-Motivated**, focuses on the willingness of people to serve God. It uses two Scripture passages to illustrate that while many people say they want to serve God, they may not always follow through in their actions. This lesson encourages students to follow through with their desire to serve God.

The fourth and final lesson in this module, **Mentorship**, discusses the importance of finding mentors to help us become better at serving God. The lesson focuses on two biblical examples of how mentors made people more effective in their ministry and encourages students to think of modern examples of people who are effectively ministering for God from whom they can learn.