

LeaderTreks Sermon Series are easy-to-use, engaging messages that are geared toward junior high and high school students. These customizable, Bible-based sermon outlines are designed to equip everyone from volunteer leaders to experienced full-time youth workers with solid content and clear takeaways that bring the Bible to life. The included group discussion questions help you facilitate great discussions that lead to real-life application steps.

WHAT'S INCLUDED

- 4 Bible-based sermon outlines (PDF & Word) with PowerPoint presentations to support each lesson
- Media & Graphics (presentation slides and social media images to promote/follow-up with students)

SERMON OUTLINE GUIDE

1. **Mark of a Disciple:** This is the character trait of a Christ-follower and overall main idea of the message that we want students to walk away with.
2. **Sermon Overview:** Context and goals to help you prepare your message.
3. **Ice Breaker Question:** An easy way to check in on your students and get them thinking about the topic.
4. **Teaching Points & Illustrations:** Each lesson has several teaching points with a brief explanation to help you build your sermon. Use the suggested illustrations to help better connect your students with the biblical truth you are teaching. Don't forget to use the included PowerPoint to support your message.
5. **Closing Reflection:** Use this prompt to wrap up your message and get students thinking about how to apply what they've learned.
6. **Discussion Questions:** Each lesson includes group discussion questions. Based on your group size and time requirements, use these questions to facilitate a big group discussion or break into small groups.

CONNECTED SERIES OVERVIEW

The theme "Connected" focuses on the importance of community in the life of a Christ-follower. Although it might be tempting for us to think that we can follow Jesus on our own, the truth is we need other Christ-followers, and they need us. Walking with Jesus is better in community.

LESSON 1 United	SCRIPTURE: Ephesians 4:1–16 MARK OF A DISCIPLE: Disciples of Christ use their spiritual gifts to unite the body of Christ.
LESSON 2 Faithful Friends	SCRIPTURE: Mark 2:1–12 MARK OF A DISCIPLE: Disciples of Christ provide and receive help from others to better follow Jesus.
LESSON 3 Radical Forgiveness	SCRIPTURE: Genesis 45:1–15; 50:15–21 MARK OF A DISCIPLE: Disciples of Christ forgive others because they have been forgiven by God.
LESSON 4 Making It Practical	SCRIPTURE: Ephesians 4:17–32 MARK OF A DISCIPLE: Disciples of Christ build up other believers in love and kindness.