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— A 1-YEAR STRATEGY FOR YOUR —

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OVERVIEW

The Grow 1-Year Discipleship Strategy is based on four spiritual habits: Spending Time with God, Spending Time with Others, Using Your Gifts, and Sharing Your Story. This strategy influences our curriculum and teaching strategy, but it's much bigger than just sermons because, as you've probably realized, **even the best sermons in the world aren't quite enough to ensure that teenagers are being disciplined.** Here's what this strategy looks like . . .

FALL

In the fall, we'll focus on the spiritual habit of community when teenagers are beginning a new school year, making new friends, and getting plugged into new small groups.

WINTER

In the winter, we'll focus on the spiritual habit of knowing and using your gifts to serve God and others, when there are lots of service opportunities available.

SPRING

In the spring, we'll go deep into the spiritual habit of spending time with God individually through personal spiritual disciplines, when Easter is on the way and the unpredictability of school and the holidays will have leveled off into some stability for your students and your ministry.

SUMMER

In the summer, we'll focus on the spiritual habit of sharing your story while your students prepare for summer mission experiences and a new school year.

WHAT WE'VE PROVIDED

SPEND TIME WITH OTHERS

To begin the school year, you'll challenge students to build community by initiating and leading some key conversations at their schools with a **lunch table challenge**.

USE YOUR GIFTS

Starting in November, you'll launch a **volunteer recruitment campaign** that's designed just for students. Throughout the campaign, you'll give students an assessment to help them think about their gifts and passions, then find a volunteer role in your church that uses those gifts and passions.

SPEND TIME WITH GOD

For the spring season, we've created a **Bible-Reading Texting Plan** that lasts for the entire quarter. When students subscribe, they'll receive daily texts with a verse to read that complements what you're teaching.

SHARE YOUR STORY

Throughout the summer, you'll empower students to share their stories of faith publicly with a **summer storytelling challenge**. All summer (or as often as you'd like) select students will share with the whole group what God is doing in their lives.