



My ten-year-old climbed into the car with a scowl. Her usual, bubbly demeanor was overshadowed by frustration. She met my "How was your day?" with a big sigh, and it didn't take long for her to describe how much "easier" life would be without "loud, bossy, gross boys." As she talked, I couldn't help but think two things: 1) those 4th-grade boys probably felt the same way about the girls, and 2) **boys and girls sure are different.**

Yes, boys and girls are different. We know this from Scripture and science. Our differences impact how we think, relate to others, and view the world. Thus, our boys and girls benefit from discipleship that works with our God-given identities. **Our discipleship plans should celebrate and work with how God made us – as males and females.**

Unfortunately, cultural changes over the last few years haven't been kind to ministry that teaches boys and girls separately, and Covid only worsened things. As churches continue to struggle with which programs to retain, discipleship outside of the Sunday morning service has a high risk of being dropped (especially boys' and girls' ministries).

I appreciate that churches are hesitant to return to their old schedules. This crisis gives us a chance to reconsider what we offer, and running our families ragged is not the answer. Our people need time for sabbath rest, organic evangelism, and friendship. So, how do we know if separate ministries to girls and boys are needed or if they are just "one more thing?" And, if they are essential, what should they look like in your church in 2022? If you have thoughts like these, here are some questions to consider:

- How does your church help children understand who they are in Christ?
- How will you lovingly counteract the false messages they hear about their identity?
- How do you acknowledge and meet the different needs of girls and boys (as well as men and women)?
- Is there an organized way for women to mentor girls and men to mentor boys? If so, how could it improve?
- How might you reimagine ministry to girls and boys so that you make the most of your time together?
- What constraints (time, money, volunteers, etc.) does your church have that must be considered before beginning or adapting a ministry to boys or girls?

It is time to prayerfully reimagine how God is leading us to share the truth and hope of Christ with our boys and girls, and we are here to help! Let us know if the Holy Spirit has been speaking to you about beginning, restarting, or adapting a ministry to girls or boys. We will partner with you to disciple the children and youth of your church and community.

Sincerely,

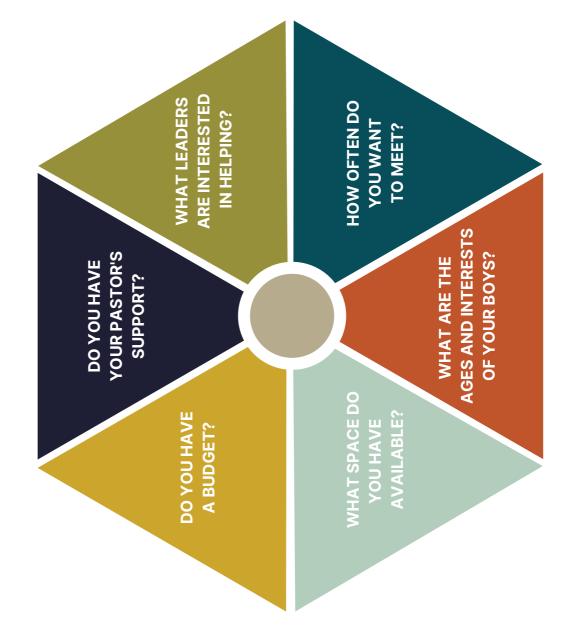
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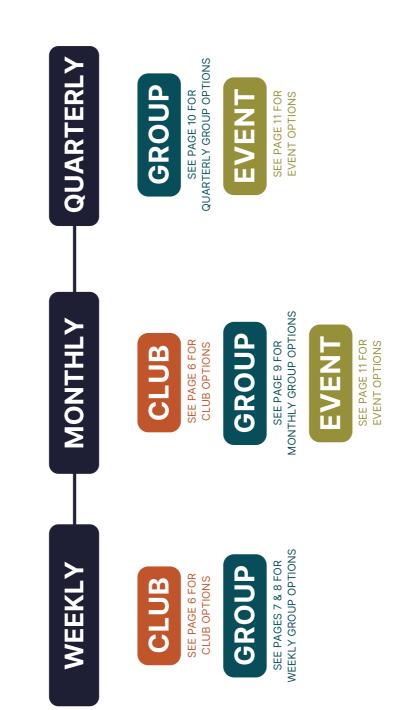
THINGS TO CONSIDER



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Select the option that works best for your ministry.



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MORAL EXCELLENCE

COURAGEOUS LEADERSHIP

THE FATHER'S BLESSING

RITES OF PASSAGE

HONOR

CHIVALRY

using character-specific Men of Cole Majoring in Men curriculum 11-17. The program focuses on: Their mission is to develop

EXPEDITION RANGERS

Royal Rangers is our top suggestion for small group church ministry for boys leadership development for boys and young men in a highly relational and mission is to evangelize, equip and and young men in grades K-12. Our Christlike men and lifelong servant curriculum. It is an activity-based, character formation and servant empower the next generation of leaders. We provide Christlike boys club-based discipleship fun environment.

Kindergarten-2nd Grade **RANGER KIDS**

DISCOVERY RANGERS 3rd-5th Grade

ADVENTURE RANGERS 6th-8th Grade

9th-12th Grade

MEN OF HONOR

ROYAL RANGERS

IPHC BOYS' CLUBS

This might be the right choice for your group if you have:

Several boys and girls in each age group 7-8 At least two adult leaders for each age group

Multiple classrooms available

by training & mentoring youths ages oowerful weekend camps and weekly oassionate followers of Jesus Christ Honor Curriculum, as well as the Ed

The Men of Honor Strategy combines

WEEKLY GROUPS

IPHC Boys' Ministries | One Year Sample Calendar (August-July)

AUGUST 2022	ELEMENTARY	MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL
Week 1	OFF	OFF
Week 2	Welcome Back Night! Community-Building Activities	Welcome Back Night! Community-Building Activities
Week 3	Lesson 1 "Unseen: The Armor of God for Kids"	Lesson 1 "The Armor of God"
Week 4	Lesson 2 "Unseen: The Armor of God for Kids"	Lesson 2 "The Armor of God"
SEPTEMBER 2022	ELEMENTARY	MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL
Week 1	Lesson 3 "Unseen: The Armor of God for Kids"	Lesson 3 "The Armor of God"
Week 2	Lesson 4 "Unseen: The Armor of God for Kids"	Lesson 4 "The Armor of God"
Week 3	Lesson 5 "Unseen: The Armor of God for Kids"	Lesson 5 "The Armor of God"
Week 4	Lesson 6 "Unseen: The Armor of God for Kids"	Lesson 6 "The Armor of God"
OCTOBER 2022	ELEMENTARY	MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL
Week 1	Lessn 7 "Unseen: The Armor of God for Kids"	Lesson 7 "The Armor of God"
Week 2	Service Project Night	Service Project Night
Week 3	Lesson 1 "The Gospel: God's Plan for Me"	Better Together: What is Discipleship (p. 17-20)
Week 4	Lesson 2 "The Gospel"	Better Together: Expectations for Discipleship (p. 21-24)
NOVEMBER 2022	ELEMENTARY	MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL
Week 1	Lesson 3 "The Gospel"	Better Together: Hope for Discipleship (p. 25-28)
Week 2	Lesson 4 "The Gospel"	Better Together: Discipleship in the Local Church (p. 29-32)
Week 3	OFF (Thanksgiving Break)	OFF (Thanksgiving Break)
Week 4	Lesson 5 "The Gospel"	Better Together: Discipleship is Long-Suffering (p. 33-35)
DECEMBER 2022		
BECEMBER 2022	ELEMENTARY	MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL
Week 1	ELEMENTARY Lesson 6 "The Gospel"	MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL Better Together: What is the Gospel? (p. 39-41)
Week 1	Lesson 6 "The Gospel"	Better Together: What is the Gospel? (p. 39-41)
Week 1 Week 2	Lesson 6 "The Gospel" Service Project Night - Christmas Project	Better Together: What is the Gospel? (p. 39-41) Service Project Night - Christmas Project
Week 1 Week 2 Week 3	Lesson 6 "The Gospel" Service Project Night - Christmas Project Christmas Party	Better Together: What is the Gospel? (p. 39-41) Service Project Night - Christmas Project Christmas Party
Week 1 Week 2 Week 3 Week 4	Lesson 6 "The Gospel" Service Project Night - Christmas Project Christmas Party OFF	Better Together: What is the Gospel? (p. 39-41) Service Project Night - Christmas Project Christmas Party OFF
Week 1 Week 2 Week 3 Week 4 JANUARY 2023	Lesson 6 "The Gospel" Service Project Night - Christmas Project Christmas Party OFF ELEMENTARY	Better Together: What is the Gospel? (p. 39-41) Service Project Night - Christmas Project Christmas Party OFF MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL
Week 1 Week 2 Week 3 Week 4 JANUARY 2023 Week 1	Lesson 6 "The Gospel" Service Project Night - Christmas Project Christmas Party OFF ELEMENTARY Lesson 1 "Defined: Who God Says You Are"	Better Together: What is the Gospel? (p. 39-41) Service Project Night - Christmas Project Christmas Party OFF MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL Lesson 1 "Defined: Who God Says You Are"

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FEBRUARY 2023	ELEMENTARY	MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL
Week 1	Lesson 5 "Defined"	Lesson 5 "Defined"
Week 2	Lesson 6 "Defined"	Lesson 6 "Defined"
Week 3	Lesson 7 "Defined"	Lesson 7 "Defined"
Week 4	Lesson 8 "Defined"	Lesson 8 "Defined"
MARCH 2023	ELEMENTARY	MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL
Week 1	Service Project Night	Service Project Night
Week 2	Lessons 1-2 "The Character of God: Holy"	Week 1, Lessons 1-3 "The Attributes of God"
Week 3	Lessons 5-6 "The Character of God: Good"	Week 1, Lessons 4-7 "The Attributes of God"
Week 4	Lessons 7-8 "The Character of God: Love"	Week 2, Lessons 1-2 "The Attributes of God"
APRIL 2023	ELEMENTARY	MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL
Week 1	Lessons 13-16 "The Character of God: Merciful"	Week 2, Lessons 3-4 "The Attributes of God"
Week 2	Lessons 17-18 "The Character of God: Just"	Week 2, Lessons 5-7 "The Attributes of God"
Week 3	Lessons 29-30 "The Character of God: Jealous"	Week 3, Lessons 1-3 "The Attributes of God"
Week 4	Service Project or Community Builder	Service Project or Community Builder
MAY 2023	ELEMENTARY	MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL
Week 1	Lesson 1, "The Quest"	Week 3, Lessons 4-7 "The Attributes of God"
Week 2	Lesson 2, "The Quest"	Week 4, Lessons 1-2 "The Attributes of God"
Week 3	Lesson 3, "The Quest"	Week 4, Lessons 3-4 "The Attributes of God"
	Lesson 4, "The Quest"	Week 4, Lessons 5-7 "The Attributes of God"
JUNE 2023	ELEMENTARY	MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL
Week 1	Lesson 5, "The Quest"	Week 5, Lessons 1-2 "The Attributes of God"
Week 2	Lesson 6, "The Quest"	Week 5, Lessons 3-4 "The Attributes of God"
Week 3	Service Project	Week 5, Lessons 5-7 "The Attributes of God"
Week 4	Summer Party!!!	Summer Party!!!
* JULY 2023	ELEMENTARY	MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL
	Don't forget to join us at Camporama!	Don't forget to join us at Camporama!

RESOURCE LIST

ELEMENTARY

- UNSEEN: THE ARMOR OF GOD FOR KIDS BY PRISCILLA SHIRER
- THE GOSPEL: GOD'S PLAN FOR KIDS BY LIFEWAY KIDS
- DEFINED: WHO GOD SAYS YOU ARE
 BY STEPHEN KENDRICK & ALEX KENDRICK
- THE CHARACTER OF GOD FOR KIDS BY THE DAILY GRACE CO AT THEDAILYGRACECO.COM
- THE ATTRIBUTES OF GOD
 BY KIDS SUNDAY SCHOOL PLACE
 AT KIDSSUNDAYSCHOOL.COM
- THE QUEST FOR KIDS BY BETH MOORE

MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL

- ARMOR OF GOD TEEN STUDY BOOK
 BY PRISCILLA SHIRER
- BETTER TOGETHER BY THE DAILY GRACE CO AT THEDAILYGRACECO.COM
- DEFINED: TEEN BOYS' STUDY BOOK
 BY PRISCILLA SHIRER
- THE ATTRIBUTES OF GOD BY THE DAILY GRACE CO AT THEDAILYGRACECO.COM

MONTHLY GROUPS

IPHC Boys' Ministries | One Year Sample Calendar (August-July)

The retreat-based ministry model is great for churches that cannot commit to weekly meetings, but still want to be intentional about men discipling boys. With this model, your team would connect with children, teens, and/or college students at least once a month, but the primary teaching time would take place during special events 2-3 times a year.

Monthly connections would be group-based where men gather the boys of your church for relationship-building activities and/or service projects. Additionally, the students would be invited to participate in occasional focused times of Bible teaching and discipleship during retreats or special events. (If your church is small, this is a great opportunity to band together with other churches.)

The flexibility of this model provides opportunities to meet with small groups of children or teens who want to grow deeper in their faith and will commit to meeting regularly. The IPHC Stand Firm resource is a great tool for this: iphc.org/boys

AUGUST	Back-to-School Fun Activity	
SEPTEMBER	Fall Service Project	
OCTOBER	Fall Discipleship Retreat	
NOVEMBER	Thanksgiving or Christmas Service Project	
DECEMBER	Christmas Party	
JANUARY	Fun Activity	
FEBRUARY	Winter Service project	
MARCH	Spring Discipleship Retreat	
APRIL	Fun Activity	
МАҮ	Spring Service Project	
SUMMER	Incorporate two events into your calendar. (Have your student leaders help you plan these!) Don't forget Camporama in July 2022	

QUARTERLY GROUPS

IPHC Boys' Ministries | One Year Sample Calendar (August-July)

The retreat-based ministry model is great for churches that cannot commit to weekly or monthly meetings, but still want to be intentional about men discipling boys. With this model, your team would connect with children, teens, and/or college students each quarter.

These quarterly connections would be event/retreat driven where men gather the boys of your church for community-building activities.

Students would be invited to participate in focused times of Bible teaching and discipleship during weekend retreats or special evening events. (If your church is small, this is a great opportunity to band together with other churches.)

The flexibility of this model provides opportunities to connect with larger groups of children or teens who want to grow deeper in their faith and community.

1ST QUARTER	Back to School Bonfire
2ND QUARTER	Fall Discipleship Weekend Retreat
3RD QUARTER	Scavenger Hunt
4TH QUARTER	Board Game Night

EVENT IDEAS

IPHC Boys' Ministries | E=Elementary; M=Middle School; H=High School

COMMUNITY BUILDER IDEAS	SERVICE PROJECT IDEAS
Board Game Night (E/M/H)	Environmental Project (Stewardship) - (E/M/H)
Arts & Crafts Night (E)	Missions Night to Support Missionary (Country-Themed Night) with Dinner, etc. (E/M/H)
Sports Game Night (E/M/H)	Christmas Caroling with afterparty (Hot Chocolate, Cookie Decorating) (E/M/H)
Kite Day (E)	Community-Wide Blood Drive (H)
Cook-Off/Bake-Off (E/M/H)	Missions Trip (M/H)
Summer Outings: Zoo, Waterpark, etc. (E/M/H)	Family Missions Trip (E/M/H)
Movie Party (E/M/H)	Interactive Missions Fair (E/M/H)
Silly Talent Contest / Karoke Contest (E/M/H)	Church Workday (E/M/H)
Pirate Night with Scavenger Hunt (E)	Parents Night Out (H)
Scavenger Hunt (E/M/H)	Wrap Christmas Gifts (H)
Glow in the Dark Event (E/M/H)	Backpack & School Supply Fundraiser (E/M/H)
Family Olympics (E)	Chore Day for Elderly (M/H)
Bonfire (E/M/H)	Pack Meals (Feed My Starving Children) or (Meals of Hope) (M/H)
Family Bingo Night (E)	Adopt a Homeless Shelter (E/M/H)
Pancakes & Pajama Party (with games) (E/M/H)	Host a Sole Hope Shoe-Making Party (M/H)
Laser Tag (E/M/H)	Write Letters to Seniors in Care Facilities (E/M/H)
Mystery Party (M/H)	Fill Up Baby Bottle with Coins to donate to Baby Hope Club (E/M/H)
Capture the Flag (E/M/H)	Host a Men's Day to Serve the Men of the Church (E/M/H)

BONUS RESOURCES

IPHC Boys' Ministries

ELEMENTARY	MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL
Rooted Kids' Curriculum by IPHC Kids at https://iphc.org/discipleship/kids/kids-curriculum/	Ephesians by Tony Merida
Wonder Inc Curriculum by David C. Cook (coming soon) @ www.lifespringsresources.com	Seen Curriculum by David C. Cook at www.lifespringsresources.com
Defined: Who God Says You Are by Stephen Kendrick & Alex Kendrick	Lies Young Men Believe by Robert Wolgemuth
The Character of God by The Daily Grace Co.	The Armor of God Teen Study Book by Priscilla Shirer
Unseen: The Armor of God Kids' Bible Study by Priscilla Shirer	Better Together by The Daily Grace Co at thedailygraceco.com
The Jesus Storybook Bible Curriculum by Sally Lloyd Jones	Defined: Teen Girls' Study Book by Priscilla Shirer
Early Childhood by Foundation Worldview at foundationworldview.com	The Attributes of God by The Daily Grace Co at thedailygraceco.com
Comparative Worldview Curriculum by Foundation Worldview at foundationworldview.com	Essential Guide to Becoming a Disciple by Greg Ogden
The Gospel: God's Plan for Kids by LifeWay Kids	Discipleship Essentials by Greg Ogden
The Quest for Kids by Beth Moore	Get Your Story Straight by Kristen Hatton
Wise Up: Proverbs for the Classroom by Marty Machowski	Radically Different by Champ Thornton
Bible Studies for Life by LifeWay	No More Excuses by Tony Evans
Deep Roots at www.deeprootsbible.com/	Kingdom Men Rising by Tony Evans
Pray for Me (Prayer & Mentoring Program) at www.prayformecampaign.com/	Unfolded by Eric Geiger
	Be a Man by John Paul Basham
	Discipleship Deficit by John Paul Basham
	Apologetics for Tweens at https://resurgensconsulting.com/apologetics-for-tweens/
	Journey: Advocates at https://awanaym.org/journey/advocates
	Various Bible Studies by The Bible Project at https://bibleproject.com/bible-studies/
	Pray for Me (Prayer & Mentoring Program) at www.prayformecampaign.com/
	Various Bible Studies by Leader Treks Youth Ministry @ www.leadertreks.org