



I BELIEVE

CATCHPHRASE: SESSION TWO

BOTTOM LINE

Belief is about more than facts.

SCRIPTURE

LUKE 22:66-67 NIV

GOAL OF SMALL GROUP

To help students see that belief is about more than just facts - it's about a relationship with a person. To do this, create meaningful conversation. This guide is a suggestion, not a formula. Adjust the questions and activities as needed, and don't feel like you need to do, or ask, everything you see here.



Last week we said that middle schoolers' brains are growing at high speed during this phase. As a result, middle schoolers are becoming more capable of understanding the perspectives of others for the very first time. This is a pretty helpful skill, but it can also cause a crisis for a middle schooler as they realize, "Hey, my opinion isn't the only opinion. My way of seeing things might be wrong." As they make this realization in other areas of their lives, expect it to carry over into their faith. They'll wonder, "Do I really believe this?" And this isn't a bad thing. Asking hard questions is a necessary part of making their faith their own.

JUST FOR FUN

We're all a little gullible sometimes. What's the dumbest story, lie, or prank that you've ever fallen for?



"So sometimes we all put our faith in the wrong things, but when it comes to something as important as God, we want to think about what we believe. Can someone remind us what we talked about today?"

DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- What are some things you would say most Christians believe?
- Why do you think it's sometimes difficult to believe?
- What is the difference between believing in a set of facts and believing a Person?
- What does it mean to have a relationship with God?
- What are some ways we can acknowledge God during our everyday lives?
- What are some ways we can invite Him to be a part of our everyday lives in bigger ways?
- What's one thing you want to do this week to get to know God better?