

DARE2SHARE

- *Encourage everyone that can to download the Life in 6 Words app. Mentioned in the video <https://li6w.com/>*
- **On a scale from 1 to 10, with 10 the most stressed, what number are you on right now and why?**
- Have a student read the verse below out loud to the group:

READ IT: 2 Timothy 2:9:

“And because I preach this Good News, I am suffering and have been chained like a criminal. But the word of God cannot be chained.”

- Remind your students that despite our current circumstances, “You Can’t Quarantine the Gospel.”

PRAYER

READ IT: Mark 1:35-36:

“Very early in the morning, while it was still dark, Jesus got up, left the house and went off to a solitary place, where he prayed. Simon and his companions went to look for him, and when they found him, they exclaimed: “Everyone is looking for you!”

PRAYER IS TALKING TO GOD ON PURPOSE

DO IT: Using the four ways to pray listed below, practice praying as a group out loud.

- Set a timer for 1 minute and have students pray **prayers of Praise and Worship** to God (hint - use a Psalm or worship song to help direct your prayers) out loud in the circle.
Some Examples - Psalms 8:1, 9:9, 23:4, 62:1-2, 91:1-2, 121:-2, 150:1-2.
- Set a timer for 1 minute and have students pray **prayers of supplication** out loud in the circle. These can be the “normal” **prayer requests** of wants and needs for the group.
- Set a timer for 1 minute and have students pray **prayers of confession** out loud in the circle. Take a minute of silence to have students confess sins or wrongs to God.
- **Think of specific names of a friend that might need to hear the Gospel or know Jesus at school or in the neighborhood.** Set a timer for 1 minute and have students pray **prayers of intercession**.

1. **Praise & Worship** – Dance Party (That’s actually what we did with the Worship Band!)
2. **Supplication** – Shopping Spree
3. **Confession** – Traffic Court
4. **Intercession** – Manual Labor

C A R E **Jesus set the pace for caring.**

READ IT: Mark 1:39-42:

“So he traveled throughout Galilee, preaching in their synagogues and driving out demons. A man with leprosy came to him and begged him on his knees, “If you are willing, you can make me clean.” Jesus was indignant. He reached out his hand and touched the man. “I am willing,” he said. “Be clean!” Immediately the leprosy left him and he was cleansed.”

As Christians, set the pace for caring by:

1. Hygiene - What are some simple ways we can continue to serve others when it comes to hygiene? (wash hands, wear a mask, social distance, etc.)

» Ask a volunteer to read Psalm 26:6-7 *“I wash my hands in innocence, and go about your altar, Lord, proclaiming aloud your praise and telling of all your wonderful deeds.”*

» Encourage your students to remember, as they wash their hands, the innocence Jesus won for them on the cross and to praise God in the midst of this pandemic.

2. Wisdom - How can you grow in WISDOM during these days of the pandemic?

» Share that even in quarantine God can help us grow in wisdom if we let him. Even though we can’t be as close physically, we can still care for others at a distance.

» Ask a volunteer to read James 1:5 *“If any of you lacks wisdom, you should ask God, who gives generously to all without finding fault, and it will be given to you.”* Encourage your students to ask God for wisdom this week as they care for others.

3. Peace - What might be bringing anxiety and stress into your life?

How can Jesus bring PEACE into the situation of stress and anxiety?

» Have your students share (in the chat feature of your online youth group) what truths about God help them stay peaceful. Remind them to pass on these things to others as a way of caring for them.

» Slowly read John 14:27 “*Peace I leave with you; my peace I give you. I do not give to you as the world gives. Do not let your hearts be troubled and do not be afraid.*” have your students meditate on the words as you read them. Remind them to look to Jesus for their peace as you read the passage out loud for them.

4. Encouragement

» Have students share any specific stories of people they know who are facing extra difficulties in this time, and then have a student pray for those needs. Remind your students to be praying for and encouraging people in their life going through struggles and sickness.

» Challenge students to encourage others in their home and to use their social media, gaming interaction, and other digital communication to encourage others.

P R A Y E R & C A R E D A R E :

- Have your students download the *Life in 6 Words* app and put three people into their Cause Circle who don't yet know Jesus (and whom they know are worried about the Coronavirus) and start praying for them every day this week.
- If they don't have a smartphone, then they can go to www.dare2share.org/wp-content/uploads/2017/09/Cause-Circle-Prayer-Care-Share.pdf and view a Cause Circle for themselves.
- If the student has a printer at home, they could download it, print it and write the names on it. If they don't, then they could just draw a simplified version and write the names on it.
- Have students send an encouraging text (or make a phone call) to each of their three friends in their Cause Circle. Instruct your students to let their friends know (through these texts) that they are praying for them.
- Have your students go into their Cause Circle section of the app, click on the number in the middle of the circle, then click on the individual names and shift the focus to care after you send the text.