



Discussion
Gu'de

“HOME ECONOMICS 201”

09/22/24

The Church Should Empower the Next Generation, **SO MC3 HAS MC3STUDENT**

The Repeats (required)

They are the same, but *WE* change, so please discuss these with your group

- [Share the announcements (on FB thread) with your group]
- We're going to *open* by sharing God Moments about what He is doing in our lives, but save our prayer requests for the END of Pr'me. Go around and share your God Moments: how have you seen God working, either in your life or in the life of another over the past week? [Leaders: plan for a way to collect prayer requests at the end, then share them with your Pr'me]
- Is there anything that you want to share that has stood out to you so far from the current Point series?

The Reminder (required)

Read this section briefly to review the Point for everyone

- This Week's Point:
**The Church Should Empower the Next Generation,
so mc3 has mc3Student**
- This Week's Object Lesson:
small things making a big impact
- This Week's Bible Passage & Focus Verse: 1 Samuel 17:26-51
Saul answered David, "You can't go and fight this Philistine. You're too young and inexperienced—and he's been at this fighting business since before you were born." (v. 33, MSG)

The Reflection (required)

Discuss these to go deeper, *and more personal*, into applying the Point

- What “small things” can you think of that make a big impact?
- Let’s put some “skin” on the Point from Sunday. In 1 Sam. 17, we saw 4 different ways that David was criticized because of his age. Share ways you have seen, experienced, or perhaps even used, each of these criticisms *toward younger people*. (see verses, if necessary):
 - How are *Motives* criticized today? (1 Samuel 17:26-30)
 - How is *Passion* criticized today? (1 Samuel 17:31-37)
 - How are *Methods* criticized today? (1 Samuel 17:38-40)
 - How are *Abilities* criticized today? (1 Samuel 17:41-44)
- What do you think leads to these criticisms toward younger people?
- In your opinion, do you think these criticisms are justified? Why/not?
- We’re all older than someone. Be honest, which of these criticisms have you shared—or just thought—about those younger than you?
- Why do we tend to criticize or look down on those younger than us?
- In the Point, Sean shared about some Biblical young people (mostly young teenagers!) that God used [Timothy, Mary & Joseph, 12 Disciples]. Which of these was most surprising to you? Chew on this a bit.
- Which of these would intimidate you most, if you were in their shoes?
- Considering who God used, who from the next generation do you need to *encourage with your words*? Be specific. What will you say?
- Who from the next generation do you need to *empower by giving responsibility*? Be specific. What will you do or give to them?
- In a moment, we’re going to pray for our mc3Student Staff and the parents of students in our group, which is absolutely essential. In addition to prayer, what is one practical thing that your Pr’me can do for our mc3Students, staff, or parents? ...and now do it!
- Close by praying for the mc3Student Staff [Zach & Becca, Scott & Jeannine, Kurt & Jodi] and any parents of students in your group.