



# EVANGELIZE WEEK

## Month 1: CREATION

“God, I am Your creation.”

“Father, help us reach **EVERY LAST ONE** on our campus with Your **HOPE!**”

### WELCOME

**LEADER TIP:** Arriving early to pray over the room, playing worship live or on a bluetooth speaker, and greeting attendees as they enter, creates an environment that welcomes God’s presence and people well.

Welcome: \_\_\_\_\_ (Leader)

**SAY:** Welcome to First Priority! We are so glad you are here today! Each month, we will discuss a specific characteristic of our identity from God’s Word. This month, we get to discover how we are God’s CREATION, made in His image! Each week will feature a piece from our HOPE strategy. The E in HOPE stands for **EVANGELIZE**. This week is **EVANGELIZE** week, where we will talk about how God can use us to reach **EVERY LAST ONE** at our school! Our **EVANGELIZE GOAL** is for every one of us to confidently declare, “I know that **EVERY LAST ONE**, including me, is created in God’s image.”

Prayer: \_\_\_\_\_ (Leader)

**LEADER TIP:** Feel free to add your own words to this prayer.

**SAY:** Let’s pray. “Father, we know that You want **EVERY LAST ONE** on our campus to know You. Show us today who in this room and in our school needs to know that they are created in Your image! In Jesus’ Name, amen.” (John 14:13-14)

### WORSHIP (OPTIONAL)

Worship Transition Talk: \_\_\_\_\_ (Leader)

**SAY:** God sent His Son, Jesus, so that **EVERY LAST ONE** could know Him! Let’s take time to worship God, thanking Him for Jesus!

Worship: \_\_\_\_\_ (Leader)

Worship song(s) length: \_\_\_\_\_

**LEADER TIP:** You have the option for worship led live by students or by a lyric video. Test everything and prepare WELL BEFORE club time, ensuring all technology functions properly. For everyone to confidently sing and enter God’s presence in worship, it is best to have lyrics prepared in a slides presentation or on paper.

Song Suggestion:

<u>TOPIC:</u>	<u>SONG:</u>	<u>ARTIST:</u>
Every Last One	God Really Loves Us	Crowder
Thankfulness	I Thank God	Maverick City
Jesus Saves	I Have A Savior	CeCe Winans

Message Transition Talk: \_\_\_\_\_ (Leader)

**LEADER TIP:** Worship prepares the “soil” of our hearts to receive the “seed” of God’s Word. (Luke 8:11-15) Feel free to add your own words to this prayer.

**SAY:** “God, we worship You as our Creator. May we receive Your Word today as we prepare to reach **EVERY LAST ONE** in our school with the hope of Your Son, Jesus.”

Scripture: \_\_\_\_\_ (Leader)

**SAY:** This month’s verse is from Genesis 1:26a and 27 which says, “Then God said, ‘Let Us make man in Our image.’ So God created man in His own image; in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them.”

### MESSAGE

Message: \_\_\_\_\_ (Leader)

**LEADER TIP:** If you’d like to write the message in your own words, use the MESSAGE TIPS portion of the CLUB PLAN TEMPLATE provided at the end of this week’s lesson.

**LEADER TIP:** Before this week’s club meeting, access the First Priority **RESPONSE CARDS** and print enough for your entire club. Make sure your LEADERSHIP TEAM has a clear plan for everyone to receive a **RESPONSE CARD**. When club ends, student leaders should collect **RESPONSE CARDS** to prepare for follow up with students who completed them. **IMPORTANT: RESPONSE CARDS** can be found on the FP AL app within **EVANGELIZE WEEK** and in **CLUB RESOURCES**.

**SAY:** This month we have talked about what it means to be created in God’s image. In our last few club meetings, we have learned that our identity, the characteristics that make us who we are, is found in God’s Word. Being created in God’s image is such an important part of our identity. The fact that God created us in His image and wants us to look like Him shows us just a glimpse of how much He loves us. Now that we have an understanding of what it means to be created in God’s image, it is so important that we share this message with everyone we know. Every person in our school needs to know that they are created in God’s image!

This week is E week, also known as **Evangelize** week. The word “**evangelize**” means “to share the Gospel.” The “Gospel” is the good news of Jesus! This good news is that God loved us so much that He gave His Son Jesus to save us from our sin and give us a way to have a relationship with God. (Galatians 1:4) As we heard in Opportunity Week, sin is the obstacle that separates us from God. The word “sin” means to “miss the mark.” This idea comes from archery, a sport that uses bows and arrows. The key with archery is for the arrows to hit the bullseye, or center of the target. No archer, no matter how skilled, can hit the bullseye every time. It’s impossible! No person can “hit the bullseye” of God’s perfect plan for their lives without Jesus living in and leading them. (Rom. 12:2)

In Genesis 3, we see how sin entered the world. Adam and Eve, the first people created in God’s image, had a relationship with God that was broken when they disobeyed God’s command. Adam and Eve missed the mark and fell into the trap of lies given to them by the serpent, Satan. Believing the lies from the serpent, Adam and Eve chose to eat a forbidden fruit, which caused them to see themselves in a way that was presented to them by Satan, the serpent, and not by God, their Creator. This sin and disobedience caused Adam and Eve to feel ashamed. Their shame is seen in Genesis 3:8 which says, “they hid from the Lord God among the trees of the garden.”

Because of Adam and Eve’s disobedience, sin entered the world and created a separation between all of humanity and their Creator. (Romans 5:12) But our Creator God didn’t want to be separated from us forever. John 3:16 says, “For God so loved the world that He gave His one and only Son, that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life.” God sent Jesus to make a way for our relationship with Him to be restored. In John 14:6, Jesus tells us that He is “the way and the truth and the life. No one comes to the Father except through me.”

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### MESSAGE (continued)

Jesus is the only Way that we can have a relationship with God. It is only by God’s grace and our faith in Jesus that we are saved. (Ephesians 2:8-9) You may be asking yourself these questions, “How can I turn from my sin and repent?” or “How do I ask Jesus to be the Lord of my life?” God’s Word shows us. Romans 10:9 says “If you declare with your mouth, ‘Jesus is Lord,’ and believe in your heart that God raised Him from the dead, you will be saved.” Romans 10:13 tells us that “everyone who calls on the name of the Lord will be saved.” If we want to surrender our lives to Jesus, these verses we’ve read today tell us that we must confess our sins to God, declare that Jesus is Lord, and believe that Jesus is the only Way to God. We can pray today if you’re ready. I will take my time as I say this prayer so you can repeat after me: **LEADER TIP: Say in slow, short phrases.**

“God, I confess to You that I am a sinner and I ask for Your forgiveness. I believe that You sent Your Son Jesus to die for my sins. I believe that He rose again and is the only Way to You. Today, I surrender my life to You. I want to live as Your child. Thank You for Your grace. In Jesus’ Name, amen.”

If you prayed to surrender your life to Jesus today, we want to celebrate with you! This is an amazing decision! If you have questions or you aren’t sure yet about giving your life to Jesus, our student leaders or our Campus Coach would love to talk with you. Please make sure you fill out a **RESPONSE CARD** before you leave and give it to one of our student leaders. We want to pray for you, celebrate with you, follow up with you, and help you connect to a local church.

### LET’S TALK ABOUT IT (OPTIONAL)

**LEADER TIP:** If you have time available, discuss these questions in a small group or large group setting. For small groups, select a leader for each group.

Group Questions: \_\_\_\_\_ (Leader)

**IMPORTANT:** If discussion or a student’s personal question(s) drift toward topics too lengthy or difficult for the time allotted, please encourage them to ask the adult leaders in the room after the meeting or refer them to their parents or pastors after school.

(Example: “That’s a great question. Let’s ask \_\_\_\_\_ after the club today or \_\_\_\_\_ after school.”)

#### GROUP LEADER(S) SAY:

1. Who do I know that needs to hear they are created in God’s image?
2. How can our First Priority club **EVANGELIZE** and share the good news about Jesus, also known as the Gospel?
3. How can God use me to help reach **EVERY LAST ONE** on my campus?

**LEADER TIP:** Explain that reaching **EVERY LAST ONE** simply begins with the **NEXT ONE**.

### CLOSING

Identity Statement: \_\_\_\_\_ (Leader)

**SAY:** Proverbs 18:21 tells us that we have power to speak life! As we leave today, let’s speak life over our identity together! Say this in your heart or out loud after me: “I believe that **EVERY LAST ONE** is created in God’s image.”

Promo/Announcements: \_\_\_\_\_ (Leader)

**SAY:** “We can’t wait to see you next week! Pray about who the Lord wants you to invite! Don’t forget to follow our club on social media!”

**LEADER TIP:** Your social media team members may want to create a graphic to post with this month’s verse or the Identity Statement. Encourage your classmates to follow the club’s social media account, if you have one, and share graphics for upcoming club meetings and events.

Sample wording for the graphic: “I am created in God’s image! - Genesis 1:26a, 27”

**IMPORTANT:** If your club doesn’t have a social media account, check with your Faculty Sponsor for approval.

Closing Prayer: \_\_\_\_\_ (Leader)

### LEADERS’ RESPONSIBILITIES

1. Dismiss attendees to class based upon Faculty Sponsor’s direction.
2. Clean your club meeting space, removing any trash.
3. Reset all items in your club meeting space to their original positions.

### CLUB PLAN TEMPLATE

**LEADER TIP:** Use this template to write or type out your own plan on a separate piece of paper for **EVANGELIZE WEEK** based upon Genesis 1:26a, 27 and this week’s **EVANGELIZE GOAL**.

#### THIS WEEK’S EVANGELIZE GOAL:

“God wants **EVERY LAST ONE**, including me, to know that we are created in His image.”

**LEADER TIP:** Make sure you know the length of your club time and how long you desire each section of your plan to last.

Time:

Welcome:

Prayer:

Worship:

Identity Verse: Genesis 1:26a, 27

Message:

#### MESSAGE TIPS:

1. Look at this week’s existing scripted message for ideas and inspiration.
2. Use additional scripture references to support and to bring further understanding to this week’s Identity verse.
3. No matter how long you have been serving the Lord, **IT’S ALWAYS BEST** to share your message ahead of time with your parent, pastor, First Priority Campus Coach or a First Priority staff member **BEFORE** sharing it with the full club. Ask them to look over it with you and give their prayerful feedback.

“Let’s Talk About It” Questions:

**LEADER TIP:** Use scripted questions provided or create your own.

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