

# CYC 2010

## GROUP DEVO OUTLINE SUPPLEMENT

The theme for this year is "Taking It To The Streets." The key here is to equip the teens to be evangelistic-to be more active in sharing the gospel with our friends. This involves a commitment. This commitment may manifest itself to your group in a couple of ways.

1. They may want to launch a campaign where you live or start a Bible Study group, or something else. This means hard work and commitment.
2. Some may respond to the invitation confessing sin or desiring to be baptized. Others may respond confessing that they have not been sharing Jesus with their friends. In either case, they are saying that they don't want to go back home the same person they were when the weekend began.

You can use the story below and the attached song to supplement your own devotional thoughts and help your youth understand the value of commitment and underline the need to "Take It To The Streets."

*There was an incident in 1519, when Hernando Cortez's Spanish fleet set sail on a do or die mission. The sailors landed on the eastern shore of Mexico with big dreams, but after facing severe obstacles they became restless and wanted to sail home. Cortes gave a startling command...Burn the ships thus eliminating the option of turning back. You see Cortes had no intention of leaving and demanded the same of his followers. The sailors just wanted to give life in Mexico a try. But for Cortes, there was no going back; he was determined to make life in the new land a reality regardless of setbacks or obstacles.*

Watch Andy Andrews tell the story of burn the boats.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nINngcDNFS0>

*Several years ago, the greatest basketball player to ever play the game, Michael Jordan came out of retirement, and a lot of people asked why - because he had nothing else to prove after all they three-peated as world champions and no one could compare with the legacy he left with the Chicago Bulls. But he did give a reason. He came back for the younger players. He said he wanted to teach them that there is a difference playing to win and just showing up for the game.*

In Luke 2:41-49 Jesus understands at 12-years old that He must be about His Father's business.

ASK: What is the Father's business? (Saving souls – Matthew 28:18-20)

ASK: Has the Father's business changed?

ASK: Will we be about the Father's business?

Christians are the only people in the world who have a sense of mission because Christians are the only people that have the problem of death solved for sure. Don't you want to tell others about the good news that Jesus has conquered sin and death – that He loves them and wants them to be with Him in heaven forever?

Are you ready to be about the Father's business?

Are you ready to stop just showing up for church and get in the game?

Are you ready to burn the boats?

Are you ready to "Take It To The Streets"?

Below are the words to the song "I Will Never Be The Same Again." The words may express the emotions some in your group might be feeling after this weekend. If you are not familiar with the song there is a clip at <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CHXTYFsvSzg>

I will never be the same again,  
I can never return, I've closed the door.  
I will walk the path, I'll run the race  
And I will never be the same again.

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I will walk the path, I'll run the race  
And I will never be the same again.

Fall like fire, soak like rain,  
Flow like mighty waters, again and again.  
Sweep away the darkness, burn away the chaff,  
And let the flame burn to glorify Your name.

There are higher heights, there are deeper seas,  
Whatever you need to do, Lord do in me.  
The Glory of God fills my life,  
And I will never be the same again.

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Maybe these thoughts will help you as you develop your group devotionals.

-Larry Davenport  
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