

My Heroes....

**Big Idea:** To point the next generation toward Jesus, we need to \_\_\_\_\_ them from Jesus.

### **3 Ways That We Can Encourage The Next Generation Toward Jesus:**

1. Lead them to experience the power of God through our \_\_\_\_\_ . (Mark 9:33-37; Luke 14:12-14)
2. Spend \_\_\_\_\_ with them. (Mark 10:13-16)
3. View \_\_\_\_\_ as opportunities to teach them about God. (Luke 17:11, Mark 10:13-14)

### **Next Steps:**

1. Have a meaningful \_\_\_\_\_ with someone who's completely \_\_\_\_\_ than you.
2. Prayerfully consider how you will spend time with the next generation. Then \_\_\_\_\_ .
3. Begin scheduling time in your day for \_\_\_\_\_ .

### **Discussion Questions:**

- Share your earliest memory of a time when someone positively influenced you in your faith. How old were you? What did they say or do that encouraged you? What lesson(s) did you take away from that moment?
- How has your parents' example in developing or not developing you spiritually affected you?
- Read Psalm 78:1-8. What does this tell us about the responsibility of adults to children? How well are you living these verses out? What makes it so hard to live these verses out?
- What are some subtle ways that maybe you have hindered children (or anyone) from Jesus? What are some ways that maybe someone else has hindered you from Jesus? (see Mark 10:14)
- Read Matthew 18:10-14. What does this reveal about God's heart towards children? Would you say your heart is in line with His? If not, spend time this week praying for your heart to align with His on this matter.
- Read Next Step 2. How are you (or how will you) do this next step?
- How do you typically handle interruptions? Have you started scheduling time in your day to allow for these "opportunities?"
- Take time to pray with your community group for the next generation, not just at Cornerstone, but around the world.