

MAKE A PLAN TO REACH EVERY KID
IN YOUR CIRCLE OF INFLUENCE IN HIGH SCHOOL

REACH EVERY FRIEND
Pieces in A Strategy

Getting started

Start with the kids you sit next to on the bus

Some kids prefer not to take on their closest friends first.

Pick strangers you can already smile at and get a smile back.

Talk to your locker mate. Give him a tract

“I’ve known you all year, but I don’t think I’ve ever given you one of these, have I?”

“Read it tonight and tell me what you think tomorrow, okay?”

There are two “Heaven Tests” I wrote. They are easy to give to kids. Notice that both of them have several Bible verses.

You can print them off, cut them in half, and fold them. see my blog, Heaven Test

Lots of high school kids have learned how to explain the Gospel by first telling little kids how to get to heaven. Little guys [almost] always listen to high school kids.

Write down the names of 3 kids you think will listen [not necessarily good friends] you want to come to heaven with you.

*You gotta pray for them first. Tell God you’re a little nervous about this project.

*Ask one other person to pray for you. [Grandma in Wisconsin is okay].

*Pick a week. Decide to look very hard for an opportunity to give one of these 3 friends a tract.

Choose a teacher, office secretary, janitor, teacher’s aide, or coach. Just do it.

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At the beginning of school find a new kid. Walk with him/her out of class to his next period and give him a tract. Ask him to read it, and tell him you’ll ask about it later.

By the way, I’m the kid who never talked to anybody about Jesus in high school, not even my friend, Mike Bachynski who died drunk in his car in 11th grade. Once I talked to my atheist teacher, Miss Hellbig. Now that was scary.

Pick out 3 good friends that you think might listen. Write their names on your sleeve [or your arm]. Pray, get grandma to pray, pick a day.

Start by saying, “I’ve never asked you this question, but It’s important to me. Do you guys know where you’ll go when you die?” Then just listen. No big explanations.

When you leave say, “Tomorrow I’ll bring you each a Heaven Test.”

Then, just do it.

Keep picking out friends or strangers one-at-a-time. Stick 5 Heaven Tests in your locker, 2 in your wallet, 5 in the glove compartment in the car, 1 inside each school textbook, 5 in your backpack, 5 in your bedroom, 3 in the living room. At least you’ll be prepared.

Don’t argue with anybody. Just say what I’ve said thousands of times. “Somebody took the time to tell me how to get to heaven. So I just tell somebody else.”

What do I say?

Invite them to church, Sunday School, or youth group.

Invite them over to your house. Let them see you own a Bible. If they stay for a meal, let them see you pray before meals. Somehow, in a conversation mention church or something the youth group did.

Ask them, “Do you know where you’re going when you die?”

Give them a Heaven Test.

See my blog *How I use the Heaven Test*

There’s more of course. But I’m praying that this can get you started. *Boy, I wish somebody would have helped me like this when I was in high school!*

Write to me if you want.