

VOLUNTEER DEVOTIONAL

CATALYST

STUDY

You love to see change happening. It's probably one of the things you like most about being a youth leader — you get to see teenagers grow! Still, there are days when you feel like you aren't growing, or at least you aren't growing as much as you'd like to be. This month, you'll be guiding your group through the faith stories found in the book of Hebrews. As you prepare, think about how effective faith was in the lives of the people you are learning about. Then, wonder about the areas where your faith or the faith of others could become a catalyst of change for you.

To get ready for this series, **spend a few minutes reading the stories we'll be teaching students this month.** As you do, think about what God has taught you (and is still teaching you) about worship through these passages, and how these Big Ideas have been true in your life.

WEEK 1: Faith is a catalyst for action. Hebrews 11:1-3, 8-6; James 1:22

WEEK 2: The faith of others can be a catalyst on our journey. Hebrews 11:29-12:2; Exodus 14:29-31

WEEK 3: Jesus is the catalyst for a new relationship with God. Psalm 103: 2-4, 8-12; Hebrews 4:14-16

WEEK 4: We can be a catalyst for change. Hebrews 13:1-3; Hebrews 6:10

PRAY

What inspires you to live by faith? Gas prices might be a reminder to cling to God. But what else? What is it that inspires or fuels your faith? Is it something God is doing in your life? Or, is it something you've noticed happening in someone's life around you? Whatever your inspiration is, think about the catalyst for the relationship you have with God currently. No matter where your faith began, Jesus was the one who made it possible. And now that you have a relationship with God, faith becomes the catalyst for change every time you use it. Think back to where your relationship with God began and spend some time thanking Jesus for being the one who activated faith in your life.

Which passage of Scripture or Big Idea from this month is most relevant to you right now?

Spend a few minutes asking God to show you how you've already grown in this area, plus the next step you need to take in order to keep growing.

GROW

So what's your next step? Do you need to activate faith in an area of your life? Is there a way you could be growing more if you had the support of someone else who is living with faith? Is there someone who needs to hear about Jesus' ability to help them have a relationship with God? Is there something going on around you that could benefit from you exercising your faith?

Whatever your next step is right now, take it. Then help students do the same.