



Head coach's meeting guide

Lesson 001 - Matches

- Gather your props:
 - One box of Kitchen Matches for each table
 - (OPTIONAL) A candle for each table
 - For GameTime:
 - Fireproof plates or bowls to drop matches into
 - Booby prize: A tube of burn cream
- Print out your guides
 - 1 Head coach
 - 1 Table coach per table
 - GodTime devotions for every man
- Prep the room
 - GameTime: A table up front to hold plates to drop matches into
 - Audio/visual tested and ready to go. Background music ready
 - Team names at each table (or wait for the teams to choose their own)
- 1. Welcome
 - Explain team names
 - Table coaches take names and phone numbers
 - Download discord and sign in
- 2. GameTime – KEEP THE FIRE BURNING
 - Call the Table Coaches up to the front. Tell them to bring the matches up with them.
 - Goal: be the last man with a match burning
 - ON the count of 3, every man strikes a match
 - (OPTIONAL) play some game show music underneath
 - Encourage tables to cheer for their guy
 - Have a prize ready for the winner: Burn cream

- 3. Play the “What is ManTime video, followed by the parable video
 - Parable video plays twice.
 - PAUSE When the text of the parable appears on the screen.
 - Ask the guys, “OK, what did it mean? Come to a consensus around your table.
Table coaches, when you have a consensus, raise your hand.
- 4. TableTime1: What did it mean?
 - Play some soft music under to make guys more comfortable
 - Watch for groups that may be struggling
- 5. Top 5 interpretations:
 - Once EVERY table coach has raised a hand, ask 5 table coaches to stand offer their table’s interpretation to the whole group.
- 6. Play the interpretation video
 - PAUSE on the big question, before the counter goes to 00:00.
- 7. Breaking down the parable. Ask these questions to the whole room, rapid fire:
 - What’s the function of a match?
 - What’s the function of a candle?
 - What can a match do that a candle can’t?
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 - In the parable, what does the match represent?
 - What does the candle represent?
 - What does the pile of extinguished matches represent?
- 8. Table Time 2. Tell your table coaches to open their discussion guides.
 - Gentle background music is great here
 - Give the guys 7 minute warning
 - Give the guys 2 minute warning
- 9. Five takeaways
 - Ask 5 men to stand and share something they learned.
- 10. Shareable Parable
 - Play the video until the QR code appears, then PAUSE again
- 11. Sneak Peek of next week’s parable.
 - Play the video until the end. No more pauses.
- 12. Conclusion
 - (optional) Pass out matchboxes or matchbooks as touchstones. Challenge the men to carry them all week in their pockets and return with them next time.
 - Make sure they have their GodTime devotions
 - Pray either at tables or from the front of the room