Youth and Family Ministry Curriculum

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Suggested Reading

- Free of Charge: Giving and Forgiving in a Culture Stripped of Grace by Miroslav Volf
- Caring for Patients from Different Cultures by Geri-Ann Galanti

Introduction

- Welcome and Who I am
- Youth Defined
- Family Ministry Defined
- Why does Youth and Family Ministry Matter?

Call Story; If I Can Work With Youth, So Can You.

Where to Start?

- Willingness
- Accompaniment (I can't solve your problems, but I will walk alongside you)
- Skills (In That Order)(Authenticity, Active Listening, Being Interested, Connecting who you are with their interests, BOUNDARIES)

Where Are The Youth and Families?

- Relationships to Congregants
- "Invisible Youth"
- Community Youth

Youth Are Important, How Do We Show Them?

- Ideas for events
- Best Practices of Youth Ministry
- No One Right Answer, Plenty of Wrong Ones

Building Relationships

- Care + Taking an Interest
- Time Trust Ice Breaker Activities for Developing Relationships

Parting Thoughts