

Girls Only

***★ Truth

Additional Project Ideas

Be entertained. Have a movie night. Prepare popcorn and comfy places to sit. Let the girls come in their pajamas if they want to. Watch *Expelled: No Intelligence Allowed*. Lead the girls in a discussion about the topics discussed in the movie. If the girls would like to know more, help them research the topics and organizations mentioned in the film. Discussion starters are available at <http://www.getexpelled.com/youthleaders.php>. Talk about the truth of creation.

Learn about it. Take the girls to a museum or nature center. Have the girls take note of the things they learn about creation and collect samples (with permission). If you have time, send the girls on a scavenger hunt in search of things that can be found in the museum or nature center. Talk with the girls about the concept of science supporting God's Word.

Invite a guest. Invite a guest speaker who is a Christian who also has a scientific background (teacher, researcher, scientist, or even a doctor). Have the speaker talk about the scientific method and how all truth is God's truth. Allow time for questions.

Read about it. Have the girls read one of Lee Strobel's books. Talk about the importance of truth and how the truth in God's Word can be proven.

Ask around. Have the girls ask friends at school, work, and around church to define truth. Collect the definitions and talk about the findings. Talk about how a person's definition of truth affects the way they live. Come up with a godly definition of truth.

Debate it. Have each girl choose a controversial issue (abortion, evolution, gay marriage, substance abuse, etc.) and have them research what the Bible has to say about the issue as well as what science says about the issue. The girls can research independently or in small groups if you have a large group of girls. Have the girls report their findings to the group and talk about what they learned.

Resource Ideas

- *Honest to God* by Charlie Westarr, available at www.gospelpublishing.com
- *A Genuine Faith* by Rodney Reeves, available at www.gospelpublishing.com
- *The Six-Day Creation Faith Devotional: For Teenagers to Discover Why Naked People in the Garden Really Matter* by Dan Davidson & Dave Davidson, New Leaf Press, 2002.
- *The Case for a Creator, Student Edition* by Lee Strobel, available at www.gospelpublishing.com.
- *You Asked About... Life: Questions Teens Are Asking* by Tim Pauls, Concordia, 2006.

Additional Discussion Questions

Discovery #1

- What is truth?
- How does our culture define truth? How do your friends at school define truth? How do you define truth?
- Why is it important to define truth? Where does truth come from?

Discovery #2

- Why should you believe the Bible?
- How do you know the Bible is a valid source of truth? Can the truth in the Bible be proven other ways?
- What is the role of faith in finding the truth? Does believing the Bible require a leap of faith?

Discovery #3

- Will the Bible help you choose what to believe?
- What are moral absolutes? What happens if no one believes in moral absolutes?
- Is it true that "all truth is God's truth"? Why or why not?

Discovery #4

- How can you know what's true and what's false?
- Is it good or bad to gain knowledge? What are the benefits of gaining more education? What are some risks of gaining education?
- What should be our compass as we gain new information?

Discovery #5

- Why is tolerance of sin wrong?
- How did Jesus treat sinners? How should we treat sinners?
- How should you react if people make fun of you or discount your beliefs?

Discovery #6

- How will your beliefs be tested?
- How should you respond when your beliefs are tested?
- Is it OK to question God? How can you gain godly wisdom?