**Hostel Week 3**

**Objectives:**

1. Have Fun Together

2. Get Boys Connecting With Each Other

3. Get Boys Sharing With Each Other

4. Explore Identity (Part 2)

**1. Speed Relating:** Divide into four equal sized groups and then make 2 speed relating circles in the front and the back of the school hall. Having two or three sessions running at the same time will be best with the size group. These questions are specifically related to helping the boys get to know more about each other – and explore issues of identity:

* If you had 24 hours to live, and money was infinite and travel was instant, what would you do?
* If you could eat only one type of food for the rest of your life, what would it be and why?
* What fictional character / super hero / villain do you identify most closely with?
* Who is your favourite music artist and why?
* What is your favourite possession and why?
* Describe yourself in 5 words.
* The meaning of my name is…
* If you could have any job in the world, what would you be and why?
* What is the biggest lesson you have learnt in a relationship, good or bad?
* What is the one thing people misunderstand about you?

**2. Review of Last Week: *Here is some of what we learnt last Thursday night:***

\* The Lion King: You are Mufa’s Boy! Our identity determines our destiny.

\* Who Are You?You came up with 5 things that define you and then 1 thing that defines you!

\* Who Does God Say I Am? We looked at verses from Ephesians 1 and 2 and found out a little of what God says we are. Let’s take it deeper…

**3. I Don’t Want To Be That!** Think of an identity that you have adopted over the past year or two that you don’t want to keep going forward. Write it on the piece of paper and think of 1 thing you can do to move away from that identity. Go around the circle and as you throw it into the middle of the circle, share what it is and what you can do about it and then someone will pray that those identities will be removed!

**4. I Want To Be That!** Each person in each small group (10 boys) is getting a Bible verse that identifies who they are in Christ. They need to read the verse and share what it says and what it means to them to be that in Christ.

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*I no longer call you servants, because a servant does not know his master’s business. Instead, I have called you* ***Friends****, for everything that I learned from my Father I have made known to you.* (John 15:15)

*Don’t you know that you yourselves are God’s* ***Temple*** *and that God’s Spirit dwells in your midst? If anyone destroys God’s temple, God will destroy that person; for God’s temple is sacred, and you together are that temple.* (1 Corinthians 3:16-17)

*God chose us in Christ before the creation of the world to be* ***Holy*** *and blameless in his sight.* (Ephesians 1:4)

*But you are a* ***Chosen*** *people, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, God’s special possession, that you may declare the praises of him who called you out of darkness into his wonderful light.* (1 Peter 2:9)

*Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall trouble or hardship or persecution or famine or nakedness or danger or sword? No, in all these things we are more than* ***Conquerors*** *through him who loved us.* (Romans 8:35,37)

*We are* ***Citizens of Heaven*** *and we eagerly await a Savior from there, the Lord Jesus Christ, who, by the power that enables him to bring everything under his control, will transform our lowly bodies so that they will be like his glorious body.* (Philippians 3:20)

*We know that anyone* ***Born of God*** *does not continue to sin; the One who was born of God keeps them safe, and the evil one cannot harm them.* (1 John 5:18)

*You are the* ***light*** *of the world. Let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your Father in heaven.* (Matthew 5:14,16)

*We are Christ’s* ***Ambassadors*** *so we urge you to be reconciled to God*. (2 Corinthians 5:20)

**5. Challenge and Prayer:** Take the handout we are giving you – with the 10 characteristics of who we are in Christ and read them through every day of the coming week and say to yourself: I am God’s Son; I am God’s Friend; I am God’s Temple; I am Holy; I am Chosen; I am a Conqueror; I am a Citizen of Heaven’ I am Born of God; I am the Light of the World and I am Christ’s Ambassador.

**Timing for Week 3:**

1. Speed Relating: 6:45-7:05 (Simon)

2. Review of Last Week: 7:05-7:10 (Mark)

3. I Don’t Want To Be That! 7:10-7:30 (Jordan)

4. I Want To Be That! 7:30-7:50 (Debbie)

5. Challenge and Prayer: 7:50-8:00 (Simon)

**Who Am I In Christ?**

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