

THEME FOR DAY THREE: GO FORTH WITH THE LORD

(5 minutes. No poster, no discussion, no summary sharing. This introduction is given by an outside team member.)

Open with a short prayer.

Scriptural source: The Theme for Day Three is taken from Matthew 28:18-20 "As the Father has sent me so I send you..." and Mark 16:15.

Purpose: To encourage the candidates to continue the process they started on Day One and to continue trying even if they fail. At the same time, to make a conscientious effort to bring Christ to others and share with their example the new life they have started. To try to make an impact in their own environment and not to look back but towards the future. This is not a full talk but a brief explanation of how on Day Three the candidates will be taught and given some tools to continue their journey with the Lord.

Points to develop:

1. You have made the decision to change now you must go forward. You have to work hard at it and be constant. You must look for support while you are inside and after you are released.
2. Your attitude is very important. Your own example should be the main tool to bring Christ to others. You have to share your new found life with others. You must support and be supported by others.
3. God is challenging us to go forth. You may quote the scriptural source for Day Three. You must accept this challenge. All of us have accepted this challenge and we will share with you how we have done it.

NOTE: At the discretion of the Lay Director the same person can be in charge of explaining the theme of each day of the retreat. If the same person did the themes for Day One and Two he may want to make this introduction the culmination of the developing of themes in a progression.