

## DAY TWO

### **THEME FOR DAY TWO: RISE AGAIN 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 Two is taken from John 12:24 "If it dies it produces much fruit..." and Romans 6:4 "So that just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we might live a new life."

Purpose: To explain the meaning of "rising again with the Lord" and how it is rooted in the Scriptures. This is not a full talk but a brief explanation of how the talks and events on Day Two revolve around the theme of rising again. Just like Jesus Christ rose from the death we can also rise again with his help and start a new life. We are not the same person anymore. A new man has been born. We have returned to the Father.

#### Points to develop:

1. Christ has overcome His death and come to a new life. He offers us this same new life if only we will follow him. We can overcome our past.
2. What does it mean to follow Christ? How do we follow Christ?
3. Explain that new life has sprouted from the seed that died. Parallel real life with the sprout that will become a tree and eventually bear fruits. We can be fruitful.
4. What does it mean to be fruitful? How can we be fruitful?
5. We should learn to have confidence and trust the Lord. We should look for Christ presence in our lives.

NOTE: At the discretion of the Lay Director the same person can be in charge of explaining the theme for each day of the retreat. If the same person did the theme for Day One he may want to develop each theme in a progression.