

PROSPER THE CITY

WEEK 2 – WHAT



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In Week 2 of *Prosper the City*, your team will vote on WHAT project you'll do, WHERE you'll do it, and WHEN you'll do it. You'll close with some HOW planning, where each member takes on a role to make the project happen. This week has a lot of activity to get to, so keep a tight rein on discussions!

REGULAR ITEMS NEEDED:

- Laptop to play video

SPECIAL ITEMS NEEDED:

- Colored–Sticker Dots
- Colored Post-It Notes
- Markers
- Sheets of paper
- Pens
- Easel pad

CHECKLIST BEFORE YOUR TEAM ARRIVES:

- Pray for the meeting
- Print Discussion Guide
- Read Discussion Guide
- Clean meeting room
- Clean bathroom
- Bibles available
- Refreshments ready
- Front door cracked

Before your team arrives, put up the Post-It notes from last week's WHAT ideas your team came up with. Your team will be using colored–sticker dots to vote on those projects.

OPENING (1 MIN)

Say: Last week we covered WHO we are and dabbled in the big picture of WHAT we'll do as a service project. Today we'll actually vote on a WHAT our project is before jumping into some of the HOW.

But before we do, let's start with a video to help orient us to today's agenda.

BACKSTORY VIDEO (3 MIN)

Go to www.ProsperTheCity.com and find the Week 2 Video.

3 QUESTIONS (7-10 MIN)

Say: With that backstory in mind, let's read today's account and then ask some follow-up questions.

*Captain, read **Luke 5:12-16** aloud for the team.*

After the reading, say: Okay, let's do some brainstorming on the whiteboard here–

Divide the sheet into thirds (three horizontal sections) and write: PEOPLE, JESUS, and PROJECT at the top of each section, respectively.

WHAT DOES THIS ACCOUNT TELL US ABOUT PEOPLE? (OURSELVES OR OTHERS)

Write their answers in the appropriate section on the easel pad.

WHAT DOES THIS ACCOUNT TELL US ABOUT JESUS?

Write their answers in the appropriate section on the easel pad.

WHAT DOES THIS ACCOUNT TELL US ABOUT OUR PROJECT?

Write their answers in the appropriate section on the easel pad.

OPENING PRAYER (1 MIN)

Say: Keep these ideas in mind as we plan our project today. But first, will you pray with me?

Pray a brief prayer, asking God to bless, guide, and be present in your time together.

VOTING ON WHAT (5 MIN)

Read through last week's WHAT ideas to refresh the team's memory and then ask:

ARE THERE ANY NEW IDEAS OR REVISIONS YOU'D LIKE TO ADD?

Record any revisions, then say: Somewhere on here is the start of our service project! We'll get to details and logistics later, but right now, we need to land on an idea.

Hand each participant three colored-sticker dots and say: Now we get to vote! The team isn't voting on the most important need. Or the highest need. We're voting on a need you believe we can meet at the end of this month with a one-time service project using our assets. Remember, we're not creating or voting on a program, this is a one-time project.

PLACE A STICKER ON THREE IDEAS YOU THINK THIS TEAM IS BEST EQUIPPED TO ADDRESS. GREEN IS YOUR TOP VOTE, YELLOW IS YOUR SECOND PLACE, RED IS YOUR THIRD PLACE.

Captain, after everyone has voted, tally the votes. Green dots get 3 points, yellow dots get 2 points, red dots get 1 point. Ranking project prevents someone from strong arming the group with their pet project.

After the votes have been tallied and added up, announce the winning WHAT of your project.

BRAINSTORMING WHERE (7 MINS)

Say: Now that we've decided WHAT we're doing, let's brainstorm WHERE we could do it. For instance, instead of saying, "youth" you'd say, "Jackson Park Elementary School". Get specific!

YOU SHOUT OUT PLACES WHERE WE COULD DO THIS "WHAT". I'LL WRITE ONE ANSWER ON A NEW COLOR OF POST-IT NOTE AND PLACE THEM ON THE WALL.

Captain, write each idea on a separate Post-It note, one idea per note, and place them on the wall.

VOTING ON WHERE (3 MINS)

After ideas have been suggested, hand participants two colored-sticker dots.

TIME TO VOTE AGAIN! PLACE A STICKER ON WHERE YOU THINK THIS TEAM IS BEST EQUIPPED TO SERVE AT THE END OF THE MONTH WITH A ONE-TIME SERVICE PROJECT. GREEN IS YOUR TOP VOTE, YELLOW IS YOUR SECOND PLACE VOTE.

Captain, after everyone has voted, tally the votes. Green dots get 3 points, yellow gets 2 points.

When you announce the winning WHERE of your project, stay peppy and enthusiastic- people will match your demeanor!

Captains, don't forget to take pictures of your team during today's meeting and upload them to www.ProsperTheCity.com!

BRAINSTORMING WHEN (5 MINS)

Say: Hey! We now know WHAT we're doing and WHERE we're doing it. Let's talk about WHEN. Today is the 2nd meeting of Prosper the City, and we have one more planning meeting next week, and this project must happen after that third meeting on the fourth week, before Sunday.

WHAT'S THE BEST DAY/TIME WHEN WE'LL DO OUR SERVICE PROJECT?

If everyone can't be there at the same time, go for the time that works for the most people possible. Someone helping plan an event is service, too! Write the agreed-upon day/time on the easel pad.

BRAINSTORMING HOW (10 MINS)

Hand out a single sheet of paper and a pen. Then say:

PARTNER OFF INTO FOUR GROUPS. I'M GOING TO GIVE YOU AND YOUR PARTNER(S) AN AREA OF RESPONSIBILITY. TAKE 5 MINUTES TO BRAINSTORM AND WRITE

DOWN EVERYTHING WE NEED TO ORGANIZE OR PLAN FOR THAT AREA OF RESPONSIBILITY:

SCHEDULE

What's happening when for the project?

INVITES

Who and how should we invite others (family, friends, city leaders) to be a part of this project?

SUPPLIES

What do we need to make this project happen?

JOBS

What are the roles for this event we need to assign?

Start a timer for 5 minutes and say, "Go!" Your energy level gives them a cue on how to respond!

While the groups are talking, tear off 2 separate sheets from the easel pad. Draw a horizontal line to divide the sheets in half and write on the top of each section one area of responsibility, (SCHEDULE, INVITES, SUPPLIES & JOBS) respectively.

Write "TAKE HORIZONTAL PHOTOS AND VIDEOS DURING THE EVENT" under "JOBS TO BE DONE". This serves as an example of an often-forgotten jobs!

Once the timer rings say: I'm going to record the basics of your details on the easel pad. Afterwards we'll assign someone to take on the role but, for right now, I'm just getting the idea written down.

WHAT DID YOU COME UP WITH IN YOUR GROUPS?

After each group shares:

CAN THE REST OF THE TEAM THINK OF ANYTHING MISSING FROM THIS LIST?

Write down any amendments or additions on the easel pad sheets.

ASSIGNING HOW (5 MINS)

LET'S ASSIGN THESE TASKS OUT! I'LL PUT AN INITIAL NEXT TO EACH JOB WE CAME UP WITH.

Write down the initials of who's responsible next to each assignment.

IS THERE ANYTHING ON OUR LIST I CAN PUT A STAR NEXT TO BECAUSE IT'S TIME-SENSITIVE AND WE NEED TO DO ASAP?

Draw a star next to any time-sensitive assignments.

Captain, save the HOW sheets for the start of next week's meeting.

CLOSING PRAYER & ANNOUNCEMENTS (1 MIN)

Say: Great job, everyone! Let's close today out with a prayer.

BEFORE WE PRAY, ARE THERE ANY PRAYER REQUESTS YOU HAVE THAT WE CAN INCLUDE IN TODAY'S CLOSING PRAYER?

After prayer requests are shared, say: Will you pray with me?

Close the meeting with prayer.

If there are any announcements, you may give them here.