

PROSPER THE CITY

WEEK 3 – HOW



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ABOUT TODAY

In Week 3 of *Prosper the City*, your team will finalize all of the HOW for your project. You'll make sure everyone has a role and responsibility, as well as thinking through any backup plans.

REGULAR ITEMS NEEDED:

- Laptop to play video

SPECIAL ITEMS NEEDED:

- Easel pad
- Markers

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 last week's HOW sheets on the wall.

OPENING (1 MIN)

Say: Last week we flew through a lot of details! We tackled the WHAT, WHERE & WHEN of our Prosper the City project before jumping into some of the HOW planning. Today, we'll finalize the HOW planning as we get ready to serve!

But before we do, let's see what Jesus has to say about today.

BACKSTORY VIDEO (3 MIN)

Go to www.ProsperTheCity.com and find the Week 3 video.

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

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 7:36-50** 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: Thanks for taking the time to do that together! Before we begin our discussion today, will you pray with me?

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

REVIEWING THE HOW (15 MIN)

Refer the team to the HOW sheet on the wall and refresh everyone on the roles for the project.

FOR ALL OF THE TIME SENSITIVE ITEMS THAT WE NEEDED TO TAKE CARE OF BEFORE WE MET THIS WEEK, CAN WE GET AN UPDATE?

After an update, ask:

FOR ALL OF THE OTHER ASSIGNMENTS FOR OUR PROJECT, DO YOU HAVE ANY UPDATES FOR US?

After an update, ask:

ARE THERE ANY LOOSE ENDS IN THOSE CATEGORIES THAT WE NEED TO FINALIZE?

DOES EVERYONE HAVE A ROLE?

LET'S THINK THROUGH SOME WORSE-CASE SCENARIOS. HOW DOES OUR PROJECT NEED TO ADJUST?

FINALLY, LET'S LOOK ONE LAST TIME AT THE SCHEDULE!

Review the schedule with the team.

ANY FINAL QUESTIONS?

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.