

NowGen

TONIGHT

The goal of the Kickoff is simple... to form relationships with students and begin building trust with them. Small group community is the **most important part of NowGen**. Trust is one of your biggest tools in ministering to students. Trust with students is built through 3 main avenues: **Reliability** (being consistent, doing what you say you will do, showing up, etc.), **Honesty** (being open and vulnerable yourself encourages them to become open and vulnerable with you), and **Integrity** (none of this matters if it isn't backed up with strong moral character, you are never expected to be perfect but your influence goes a lot further if you are a positive role model).

THIS WEEK

THE BIG IDEA

True community loves you no matter what.

THE BIBLE

Acts 2:42-47

- **Begin by playing two truths and a lie (Everyone in the group takes a turn saying 3 things about themselves, 2 of which are true and one of which is a lie. The group then guesses which one is a lie for each person).**
- **Leaders spend a few minutes sharing your story with your students. Here are a few examples of what you may want to include in your story: what you were like as a teenager, what your family looks like, some of your past struggles (vulnerability is key), why you are here serving, and what you hope for this year in your group.**
- **To Ask Students: What are you passionate about? What is your biggest challenge right now in life? What are you looking forward to this year? What is the most important thing for me to know about you? What are some things we can learn about community from the verses we read in Acts 2?**
- **Take some time exchanging contact information and make a plan as a group to stay in contact with each other throughout the week (Leaders hand out your "business cards" to students and make sure they know you are available to them).**