

Leadership Training– Teamwork

THE POINT

Alone and you can fall, together, you'll be unstoppable.

THE POINT, UNWRAPPED

Teamwork is not individual work but the work of a collective group. Through teamwork, you are stronger and wiser.

WHERE IN THE WORLD

Corinthians 1:10

–Now I exhort YOU, brothers, through the name of our Lord Jesus Christ that YOU should all speak in agreement, and that there should not be divisions among YOU, but that YOU may be fitly united in the same mind and in the same line of thought."

TEAM BUILDING

AFRICAN RIVER CROSSING

The aim is to get all of the groups (or teams if you have a large group) safely across the river. However, they cannot touch the 'water' and must use the rafts (cardboard squares 1'x1' squares) to cross. Rafts must be in contact with a human at all times or they will be swept away with the current.

Once the crossing has begun, the leader must remove any cardboard squares that are swept away by the current. Unfortunately the 'river' is also filled with crocodiles and if any team member touches the water they incur a crocodile penalty i.e. 'lose a leg' and they must complete the river crossing hopping on one foot.

The first attempt at crossing is usually hilarious to watch. Let the teams go a second time to build on lessons learned from the first crossing. Who will survive? Here are a few variations to try as well,

Cardboard squares can only go forward. They cannot move backwards.

No one can finish the crossing until everyone has left the starting 'bank' of the river.

Remember to discuss – What worked? What didn't work? Who provided leadership? Did the group support one another? How did you work together as a team? How did the team decide on the game plan? Was communication good or not? How could it be improved?

DISCUSSION

From the Bible quote above, it is suggested that –there should not be divisions among you, why is this so important?

Also, what is the significance of this quote? –You may be fitly united in the same mind and in the same line of thought."

TEAM STUDY

As a team, work together to come up with a list of the following:

Benefits to working in teams?	1. 2. 3.
What happens when there are divisions among teams?	1. 2. 3.
Benefits of sharing the same thoughts, mission, goals, purpose, etc...?	1. 2. 3.

SUMMARY

On a larger scale, it is extremely important that the Universal Church speaks the same language. On a smaller scale, teams within the youth group need to share a common objective. When different members in the group possess multiple ideas, the team can easily be split into sub-teams which cannot function as strongly. As Knights of Eucharist, we are called to encourage our peers to join us together in the same mission, the same purpose in Christ so that we too can be unstoppable.

SPIRITUAL CHALLENGE

This week, you are challenged to work together as a team and complete a task that would benefit your TNTT group.

VIETNAMESE WORDS

Mission – sứ mệnh, nhiệm vụ

Purpose – mục đích, ý định

Goal – mục đích, mục tiêu

