

I'll Accept Buddha & Jesus, but Hold the Bacon

Description: Do you have friends whose families are Muslim or Hindu? How do you tell them about the gospel—that there is only one way to God through Jesus? This Power Track discusses practical ways to pursue them with the truth, and cultural tips along the way—like how offensive your pig meat is. God's placed you in your friend's life for this very purpose, to tell them about His Son.

Key Verses: Acts 17:22-34; Deuteronomy 10:18-19; Philippians 2:5-11; Colossians 1:13-14

Prompt: Whether you live in a small town, suburb, or big city, diversity is taking root. Spend a few minutes sharing evidence of diversity in your school, workplace, or neighborhood, considering ethnic, racial, religious, sexual, and socio-economic differences.

Play: Video of Ashley House, "I'll Accept Jesus ..." buildmomentum.org/resources

Process: Select from the following questions to help students remember, rekindle and reengage.

- ⏪ Read Acts 17:22-34. **What does this passage say about God's role in placing people groups?**
- ⏪ **What are the three movements that frame Ashley's Power Track?**
- ⏪ When watching the [YouTube video, "A Foreigner Among Us,"](#) think about these question:
 - **Why is the migration topic important?**
 - **What unhealthy perspectives drive your thoughts on migration?**
 - **How does God use migration both in biblical history and church history?**
 - **How do you pray for and embrace the foreigner?**
- ⏪ Read Deuteronomy 10:18-19: **What does this say about God's heart for the foreigner? How does this reflect your heart for foreigners?**
- ⏪ As she works through Movement 2 – *from unbelief to belief* – Ashley draws out fears people have in sharing their faith across religious lines. **What are your fears in sharing your faith?**
- ⏪ We must return to the gospel to reduce our fears, Ashley asserts. **What aspects of the gospel encourage you and empower you as you fearlessly share Jesus with others?**
- ⏪ Christianity and Islam overlap in many ways, but differ in one essential way, Ashley explains. **What is the critical difference between these two major world religions?**
- ⏪ In her final slide, Ashley lists several ways to "intentionally pursue" people from other faiths. **Of the 4+ ways she listed, which can you begin to apply?**
- ⏪ **What would it take for you to join Encompass to Encounter the Nations in Atlanta?**

Pray: Thank God for His wisdom in placing people at the right time at the right place. Ask for God's heart for the nations to fill your heart. Pray for people from different religious backgrounds by name, asking God for opportunities to share the good news of Jesus's death and resurrection.