

## **Truth — inspires city kids to live for God**

Is it ever right to cheat? Is it OK to join a gang if only trying to protect yourself or your family? Can you follow more than one path or religion to God? These and even tougher issues face city kids everyday.

Jamal is one city kid who struggled with these real issues. He had problems reading, making friends, and making good decisions. Jamal attended a Saturday morning Bible club for several years, but still made bad choices. He heard the 'truth' from God's Word, but he found it hard to live by God's Word.

Teachers, the 'truth tool' in the City Kids Ministry Tool Kit, if used properly, will help city kids like Jamal make godly, biblical decisions about life. This tool is simply using the Holy Bible – applying real truth to real issues facing city kids.

For example, but not limited to the following – Facilitate activities that guide city kids towards decision-making based on the main truths you teach.

- Start a discussion about a current event or issue that kids face
- Divide class and encourage students to develop two lists: 1- why it's hard to make good decisions? 2- what helps most to make good decisions to live for God?
- Present segments from a Bible lesson asking them to identify the main truth – allow students to discover some real life issues that apply and Q/A students concerns on the subject
- Present an issue that requires decision making – city kids role play the issue and their decision – they give reasons for their choices

Use the 'truth tool' to inspire city kids to live for God. I've got some really cool new uses for the 'gospel tool' next time when we meet.