Corps Cadets – February Week 2 Walk By Faith

Welcome & Settling Down (5 minutes)

The Road (10 minutes)

Have 2 students perform "The Road" skit found in the CrossTraining for Corps Cadets material.

Ask: "What inspires the Old Man to pick up bricks every day and use them to build a road?"

"What do you think of someone who works to build something they'll never benefit from, or even see finished?"

"What do you think inspired the Young Man to add to the road the Old Man was building?"

"This story is a little bit like the faith of the people listed in the book of Hebrews, people we often refer to as the heroes of our faith. They're people who followed God because they believed He would keep His promises. Although they never saw the promises fulfilled in their lifetime, they acted on faith, trusting God anyway."

By Faith (15 minutes)

Pass out the "Faith Hall of Fame Plaques" Template to corps cadets and assign them to read the selected verses and fill out the card. Have them draw a picture of what they would imagine this person look like, name, and notable achievements. (Depending on the size of your brigade corps cadets may have to do 3-5 cards.)

Have someone read Hebrews 12:1-7. Ask "What should these heroes inspire us to do?" Allow time for response. (Answers should include: Throw off what hinders/sin, run with perseverance, fix our eyes on Jesus, endure hardship)

"The individuals in these verses were all confident that God would keep His promises to them. Their faith should inspire us to walk in the same way, confident God will keep His promises to us. Through the covenant Jesus established, God promises us, and all those who put their faith in Christ, eternal life. Our choices every day should reflect our faith. Along with the original recipients of Hebrews, we're encouraged to throw off everything that might hold us back, especially sin, and persevere. We're challenged to focus on Jesus, even enduring what we consider to be hardships."

I will... (10 minutes)

Either use the shoe template provided in the CrossTraining for Corps Cadets material, or have students trace their own feet and cut out. Have them think about one thing they can do to "walk by faith" in their own lives. Either have them take these home as a reminder, or if you are able, put them up on display in the room used for class.

"The readers of Hebrews were struggling in their faith. They had all the knowledge they needed, but they lacked confidence. Along with them, we're reminded that faith is confidence that God will do what He said He will do. For this reason, every decision we make should reflect this confidence, this faith. This is why we have warnings about staying focused and enduring hardships, by faith. Even the heroes of the faith listed weren't perfect, they simply chose to trust and obey God."

Checkpoint Worksheet Questions (15 minutes)

Allow 15 minutes for students to discuss and answer questions. This week they have an essay question to fill out, so this might take a bit longer than usual. Make sure all Corps Cadets sign and date their forms!

Prayer & Dismissal (5 minutes)