

# TALK IT OVER

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FOR THE YOUTH  
Discussion Guide

## BIG IDEA

Palm trees are designed to weather storms. Like palm trees, we must prepare our youth for the storms ahead because their testimonies will come from surviving these storms. Pastor Daniel interviewed Lifepoint youth leaders, Aaron Judkins (Youth Director--Fredericksburg), Lexi Maynor (Next Steps—Stafford), and Dakari Rollins (Youth Director—Spotsylvania) to provide insight on the storms youth face today and the exciting potential of this next generation. The overarching message from the group was to fight for our youth and never give up.

## SCRIPTURES USED IN THE MESSAGE

- Nehemiah 4:14
- Psalm 92:12-15 (ESV)
- Matthew 28:19

## TALK IT OVER

Choose questions that keep the discussion moving. No need to discuss every question.

- How would you describe the next generation? How did the discussion between Pastor Daniel and the youth leaders affect your perceptions of today's young people?
- Why do we need to fight for the next generation? What is different about the challenges teens are facing today?
- How does a palm tree weather a storm? What is the difference between a root and a fruit?
- What does it look like when someone is planted in the house of the Lord? How does living planted in the house of the Lord help us weather the storms of life?
- In addition to prayer, what can we do to help fight for the next generation?

## APPLICATION IDEAS

- Consider ways you may be able to help our youth groups, like joining the youth dream team or assisting with the Summer Leadership Institute.

## PRAYER FOCUS

At Lifepoint, we pray until something happens. Make time in every group meeting to pray for one another and the larger matters of concern to your group.

- Pray for Lifepoint's youth leaders, young people, and for lives to be changed at the youth conference.

## LEADER TIPS

- Create a list of young people to pray for as we approach the youth conference. Share the list with your group and commit to praying for them.