



**“The Umbrella (Authority) – pt. 1”
July 18-25, 2010**

WELCOME (15 minutes)

- **Ice Breaker:** Tell about the least favorite job you ever had.
- **Announcements:**
 - **VBS – Mon-Fri, Aug 2-6, 6:30 – 9:00pm**
 - **Classic Car Cruise-In – Fri, Sept 3, 5:30 – 8:30 pm**
 - **2010 New Life Budget is available online for your review!**

WORSHIP (10 minutes)

- Pick a couple songs from the **New Life Worship CDs** and sing them together!
- Pause for prayer – letting several offer short prayers of praise to Jesus.

WIN (15 minutes)

- **PRAY** for people your group is reaching out to!
- **PLAN** an event for you to do as a group and invite these people to.

WORD (25 minutes)

1. Tell about any time when you’ve struggled with or bristled under authority OR a time when you willingly submitted to an authority and saw the validation of doing so.
2. Have everyone turn to and someone read aloud **1 Peter 5:6** and **Romans 13:1**.
Talk about the concept that authority begins with us humbling ourselves completely under God’s authority over us and that lining up under human authority is a spiritual matter as well! (Don’t get sidetracked on issues of immoral or unjust authority.)
3. Have everyone turn to and someone read aloud **2 Chronicles 30:7-8**. Discuss how being in the line of authority (*under the umbrella*) is the place of protection & blessing.
4. Have someone read Jay’s 5 points about authority at work and discuss them – especially any that relate to circumstances you find yourself in right now!

WORKS (25 minutes)

- Break into **2 or 3’s of the same gender**
- Truly pray for each other!