



Embracing World Leaders in Our Midst

Goal: To gain vision for what the Lord desires locally for international students and how they might influence the world. To understand how they can be a part of God's work. *This is lesson 1 of 2 from the "Discovering God's Heart" category.*

Look Back:

- Share stories of meeting internationals. What went well? What was challenging?
- Pray

Look Up:

Watch "Embracing World Leaders" (15 minutes) and then discuss (*these are the same questions from the discussion section of website*):

1. Lisa described reaching international students as strategic because of the high number of them and the strategic posts former international students hold. What do you think of this?
2. Read **Deuteronomy 10:17-20**. Why is it sometimes hard to love the foreigners in our midst?
3. The majority of international students will never step foot in an American home. What can you do so this will not be said about the international students in your community?
4. How have you benefited from and been changed by friendships with people from other cultures?

Give participants a few minutes to log into their account and answer the questions on the quiz. After completion, encourage them to share their answers to the application question. Remember if they answer the application question on the website their response will be emailed to them a week later.

Application question from the quiz section.

As you begin this journey, what is your prayer?

Look Forward:

Open time for questions. You as the leader don't have to know the "correct" answer. You can all troubleshoot together as you learn how to care for people from different cultures.

Pray for one another and for the internationals you've already met and those you will soon meet. Pray for genuine friendships of mutual trust and companionship with new international friends.

Homework:

Meet another international, this time try to get their contact information and make plans to see them again. If you already have multiple international friends visit [Joshua Project](#) to learn about the spiritual realities of the areas your friends are from.