

# Creative Ideas to 'Shake Up' Your Girls Club!

TN Girls Ministry

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## **Matthew 21:12-14**

<sup>12</sup>And Jesus went into the temple of God, and cast out all them that sold and bought in the temple, and overthrew the tables of the moneychangers, and the seats of them that sold doves,

<sup>13</sup>And said unto them, It is written, My house shall be called the house of prayer; but ye have made it a den of thieves.

<sup>14</sup>And the blind and the lame came to him in the temple; and he healed them.

### *Step 1 – Get Jesus in the house!*

- **People were perfectly content with what was happening in the temple until Jesus got there. Jesus began to shake it up!**

1. Be prepared before class time – ten minutes before class time is NOT the time to get your lesson ready!
2. Be in your room early have your supplies out and ready when the girls arrive
3. Have worship music playing as the girls arrive
4. Jesus must be in the house before the girls get there!

### *Step 2 – Stir up passion!*

- **Jesus' passion brought about immediate action.**

1. Recognize that something needs to change

2. Turn over our seats of “it’s just a club” and “let’s earn these badges”
3. Start overturning one “table” at a time – even the smallest changes can bring huge results.
4. Shake up the way you use your sponsor guide. It is a tool, not a sacred cow. It is now available on CD so you print what you need make it work for you.
5. “Everything rises and falls on leadership” (John Maxwell); if we don’t have a passion to see change, change will never happen. There must be a passion in us to change. There must be a passion in us to win!

- **Redeem the time – we have no time to waste!**

1. [www.barna.org](http://www.barna.org) It will rock your world when you see the statistics!
2. Make every minute of class time count! If you don’t have a plan – the girls will create one for you!
3. Plan prayer time in your class complete with invitation to receive Jesus as Lord and Savior and to be baptized in the Holy Ghost.

- **Passion for our purpose:**

1. To win girls to Jesus Christ through love and acceptance
2. To teach them to obey everything Jesus commanded us-developing girls spiritually and mentally
3. To provide encouragement, support, and accountability through lasting Christian relationships
4. To provide an environment for girls to develop their gifts and abilities

5. To acquaint them with the Great Commission of Jesus Christ our Lord

*\*Note there is nothing in our purpose statement that says we are just about awards!  
If that's what your club is about it is definitely time to shake it up!*

## Step 4 – Clean house

- **Get rid of clutter and junk in your room**

If you are sick of looking at something, the girls are too. If you can't afford new stuff, revamp what you have. Add some new colored poster board or foam core behind it, move it to a new location – change something, you'll feel better and they will too!

- **Add new décor, new supplies**

No idea where to start - look at websites from other churches, go to a school supply store and look at their displays, go inside the school and see what teachers have done in their class rooms.

New pencils, pens, crayons, etc. does wonders for excitement. Spend some time looking around and be constantly asking God to sharpen your mind and help you to be creative. He will amaze you and cause you to be amazed at yourself!

GPH has a variety of club specific décor. Add your own touches to it, display it different ways to make it look fresh. Take a night and let the girls help you – they know what they like and it brings a sense of ownership to them.

Rearrange your room

Have class outside or in a different location to coincide with your lesson

- **Get creative**

Bring in a guest that can add insight to your lesson

Use what the girls use – cell phones! Have the girls text lesson highlights to a friend that's not there or to you so you will know how well they "get it".

Email or text your girls during the week

Add them to your Facebook or MySpace and keep up with them. You will quickly learn how much they need Godly influence!

Let the girls teach you! They want to share what they know and to let them mentor you on their world will provide you with insight you can't get anywhere else.

*They don't care how much you know until they know how much you care!*

### Step 5 - Become a house of prayer

- **We are the temple!**

Prayer has to define us! It's when we think we know what we are doing and we leave out prayer that "things" get messed up.

- **Prayer in our club is not optional – it is VITAL!**

If we have a great lesson, great looking room, coolest "stuff" and leave out prayer, we missed the boat!

### Results - Jesus makes the difference!

- **Matthew 21:14**

And the blind and the lame came to him in the temple; and HE healed them:

Blind and lame represents the spiritual as well as the physical condition of the girls God has entrusted to you.

When we take our club from "drab to fab" we open the doors for Jesus to do what He came to do.

Lets go Shake it Up!

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