COMMITMENT TO MINISTRY

Audience: Youth & Young Adult Leaders
Duration: 30–45 Minutes

Theme: Commitment means faithfully serving God with consistency and perseverance.

Key Scripture:
- 1 Corinthians 15:58
- Colossians 3:23–24
- Luke 9:62
- Galatians 6:9

Big Idea:
God calls leaders to stay faithful even when ministry is hard.

Learning Objectives

By the end of this lesson, participants will be able to:
- Define biblical commitment.
- Explain why commitment matters.
- Identify obstacles to commitment.
- Name practical ways to stay faithful.
- Choose one action to strengthen leadership.

Key Terms:
- Commitment: Faithfully following God's calling.
- Faithfulness: Consistently obeying God.
- Perseverance: Continuing through challenges.
- Servanthood: Leading by serving others.

Timed Teaching Plan

Opening (5 Minutes)

Icebreaker

Ask:

"What is something you've committed to that required discipline?"

Transition:
God expects the same kind of commitment from leaders.

Read:

1 Corinthians 15:58 together.

Discussion Point 1 (8 Minutes)

What Does Commitment to Ministry Mean?

Commitment means saying "yes" to God even when it costs something.

Discuss:

- Ministry is not about convenience.
- God values faithfulness.
- Consistency builds trust.

Read:

Luke 9:62

Discussion Questions

- Why is consistency important?
- What causes leaders to lose commitment?

Discussion Point 2 (8 Minutes)

Obstacles to Commitment

Common challenges include:

- Discouragement
- Busy schedules
- Fear

- Distractions
- Burnout

Read:
Galatians 6:9

Teaching Point:
Commitment is a decision, not a feeling.

Discussion Point 3 (8 Minutes)

Characteristics of Committed Leaders

Read:
Colossians 3:23–24

Committed leaders:

- Show up consistently.
- Pray regularly.
- Serve humbly.
- Keep their word.
- Encourage others.

Ask:
Which characteristic do you need to strengthen?

Personal Reflection & Application (5–10 Minutes)

Have participants quietly answer:

- Where has my commitment weakened?
- What distractions affect my ministry?
- What habit do I need to strengthen?
- How can I honor God better through leadership?

Follow-UP Questions

1. What challenged you most today?

2. How can you stay committed in hard seasons?
3. What step will you take this week?
4. Who can hold you accountable?
5. How can the team encourage one another?

Weekly Challenge

Choose one commitment for the next seven days:

- Pray for 15 minutes daily.
- Read one chapter of Scripture daily.
- Encourage one person.
- Arrive early for ministry.
- Complete every responsibility without reminders.

Journal what God teaches you.

Closing Prayer

“Heavenly Father, thank You for calling us to serve in Your Kingdom. Help us remain faithful when ministry is difficult. Strengthen our commitment so we honor You in every responsibility. Give us perseverance, wisdom, humility, and hearts that seek Your glory. May our lives reflect Jesus, the perfect Servant Leader. In Jesus’ name, Amen.”