Leader Guide

Artist:

Album Title & Record Company:

1K PHEW REACHRECORDS.COM/ ARTISTS/1K-PHEW WHAT'S UNDERSTOOD REACH RECORDS Video Title:

HOW WE COMING

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Theme Testimony, God's Faithfulness

Objective

Students will be reminded that every obstacle is an opportunity to share God's faithfulness.

Warm Up

Hot Wheels – You will need two or three rolling chairs and a couple bike helmets (safety first, kids!) Set up a course using cones, caution tape, or whatever materials made available. Have volunteers pair up (a driver and a pusher). Have them race against time, while remaining safe, and add time for going off course or falling out of the chair. The team with the fastest time wins.

Transition

Ask the students why races against time are so intense. Ask the teams what their goals were during the race (or ask all students what they think racers' goals are).

Say something like, "Sometimes we can get so focused on the finish line that we can miss out on the journey. 1K Phew's "How We Coming" talks about living life to the fullest, using your testimony for God's glory, and surrounding yourself with people who support and share the same values.

The Video

Play the video and have students fill out their *Video Visuals* section of their Student Guide.

Bible Study

Read the following verses and go over the questions and answers in the students' "How We Coming" section of their guide.

Read or have volunteers read **1 Corinthians 9:24-27**, **Matthew 5:13-16**, and **John 15:18-19** aloud to the group.

- What does it mean to be a light of the world?
- According to John 15:18-19, what determines if the world accepts or hates you?

Say something like, "The chorus for 'How We Coming' has 1K Phew stating that when he shines his light, people will hate him. He understands that giving credit to 'the One and only' will not always be viewed as a positive, but states he doesn't plan on stopping any time soon. Why do you think 1K Phew has this perspective? He realizes that praise from people is worthless. (Matthew 6:1-4, John 12:42-43)

Allusions to racing through life, stop-

ping for gas, and enjoying the ride point to the reminder that life is not just getting from point A to point B, rather it's about living it to the fullest while representing the Lord (shining our light).

Another thing we hear from the video is the distinct individual stories that each artist has, but they come together for the same purpose, to use their life as a testimony. Ty Brasel states he was on the road to either death or prison, Whatuprg talks about his struggle with his cousin's death and his own anxieties, and 1K Phew mentions how his success has made him unfavorable in people's eyes. What do they have in common? They still give God the glory.

Read James 1:2-4, Titus 3:3-7, and 2 Timothy 1:8-9

- Why do you think hard times are good to go through?
- What does it mean to "share" in someone's suffering?
- List some friends who have shared in your hard times:

There's an old saying that 'a trouble shared is a trouble halved'. "How We Coming" shows how fellowship can strengthen us during hard times as well as come together to celebrate what the Lord has done in our lives.

Wrap Up

Say something like, "Life is not a meaningless race; it's the inbetween; it's what happens after the starting line and continues until the final prize. No matter what sharp turns you face, what potholes you bottom out in, what obstacles you have to dodge, or the amount of times you need to fill the tank back up, when you travel with others who have the same destination you can encourage each other while hollering out the window for others to hop in and follow. Ride well."

Have students fill out their *Road Map* section on their student guide. (If you can front it, hand a Hot Wheels car to each student as a reminder to enjoy the ride, take in the views, and know that the road isn't a lonely one).

Playlist

This song is featured on "The Linc: Testimony" Spotify playlist – which is the perfect way to remind your students what you've taught them in this session. To share it with them, click the live link on the web version of this study.