

RETREATS MADE EASY

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5 Reasons to Retreat

1. To escape the daily grind.
2. To find focused time with God.
3. To evaluate our lives from a godly perspective.
4. To deepen our bond as believers.
5. To model Christ's love to unbelievers.

Action Points

5 Types of Retreats

1. Two Hour Retreats
2. One Day Retreats
3. Slumber Parties
4. Independent 2-3 Day Retreats
5. Dependent Organized Events

Action Point

5 Essential Parts of Successful Retreats

1. Prayer
2. Worship
3. Scripture
4. Meaningful Interaction
5. Structured Fun

Action Points

5 Preliminary Decisions

1. Who
2. Where
3. When
4. How Much
5. Theme/Speaker

Action Points

5 Teams for Great Retreats

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 - A. Location Selection, Contracts, Maps, Rules & Guides
 - B. Decorations: Entry, Stage & Tables
 - C. Floor Plans – Main Sessions, Meals, Breakouts, Crafts & Games
 - D. Travel/Room Assignments: Enroute Entertainment, Registration Table, Cabin/Room Hostesses
 - E. Audio/Visual & Equipment Needs
 - F. All Other Equipment Needs

- 2. Publicity
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 - B. Internal Publicity – Bulletin Announcements, Skits, Posters
 - C. External Publicity – News Releases, Newspaper, TV, Radio
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 - D. Registration – Collect Forms, Money, Mail Brochures
 - E. Name Tags & Notebooks
 - 3. Program
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 - F. Entertainment
 - 4. Fun
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