

¿Cuál es tu Destino?

Outreach Event

Destino at Texas A&M

Destiny. We hear songs on the radio about it, grew up on Disney movies that enchanted us with this idea of a mysterious target out there somewhere in the universe, a purpose that we were inexorably going to hit, that would make sense of it all. *Do we have a destiny?* Another way to ask it is, does God have a plan for us? Does he have one *for me?*

¿Cuál es tu destino? is an extremely simple outreach idea you can use on campus to start spiritual conversations. It doesn't cost a lot, takes just a day or so of preparation, and is a great first outreach for a new Destino movement! This is an idea people are thinking about, so take the opportunity to start conversations about what God has to say about destiny. To pull this off, you're going to set up a large "conversation board" on campus to attract attention and start an interactive conversation about destiny and God's plans for our lives.

What you need

1. A rectangular piece of plywood—about 4' x 8'
2. Paint and paint brushes (a light color for the background and black or a dark color for large lettering)
3. Permanent Markers
4. "Would you like to know God personally?" booklets.
5. Flyers advertising Destino, your weekly meeting or an upcoming event.

What to do

So simple... Paint the big piece of wood a light color, and then paint the phrase *¿Cuál es tu Destino?* (What is your destiny?) on it in big black letters. Bring the board to campus and place it in a high-traffic place—the quad, near a dining hall, in a designated free speech zone, some place like that. You might consider if there are particular places or times where lots of Latino/a students congregate. *Don't forget to get permission from campus authorities if necessary.* When students walk by and ask, "Hey, so what's this big board all

"Do you think God has a destiny for you? What is it and how do you think a person can find out?"

about?" Tell them something like this: "We want to know if you think you have a destiny in life, and if so, what you think it is. Write your answer on the board!" and hand them a marker.

On the next page are some suggestions for how to make the most out of the conversations you start with people who walk by.

Making the most out of the conversation

Here are some good follow up questions to keep the conversation going with people who write answers on the board.

“What do you mean by what you wrote?”

“How did you come to the conclusion that that’s your destiny?”

“Who or what do you think is in control of your life?”

“Do you think God has a purpose or a plan for you to fulfill?”

“How do you think a person can find out what God wants for them?”

“I believe God’s destiny for our lives can be found in a relationship with him. Did you know that the Bible explains how we can know God like a friend?”

So, what is Destino?

People will ask, so be ready to answer with something more meaningful than, “It’s...uh...a Bible study...” Try these brief, meaningful explanations of what Destino is. Make them your own:

“Destino is a Latino-based student group on campus that helps people connect to Jesus Christ. We meet each week to discuss the Bible, a relationship with God, and how that affects our lives. We meet at _____, come check us out this week!”

To sum it all up

You’re asking people to share what they are thinking about a very important and personal topic. People *love* to talk about themselves when asked. The very best thing you can do at the end of the conversation is exchange phone numbers so you can keep the relationship going. Invite them to hang out with you and your friends, or to come to Destino with you.