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SUMMARY

*"To the world you may be one, but to one person you may be the world."
"Youth are either leading, or they are leaving."
"If we want youth to value the church, the church must learn to value youth."*

Lyle believes all Christians of all ages are called and capable of vital caring and welcoming ministry. He knows that faith is passed on through personal trusted relationships by the power of the Holy Spirit and so provides opportunities and experiences for people to weave significant relationships. He equips people to share God's love. He affirms their gifts, as he challenges them to learn and apply new skills. Instead of teaching or preaching about the Good Samaritan story, Lyle offers skills to live it. As a facilitator, educator and trainer, Lyle enters into groups, creating environments where people learn from each other. A dynamic speaker, he gives unique, experiential opportunities to connect relationally. His passion and enthusiasm for this ministry is enlivening!

EXPERIENCE

- 12 years National Director of Peer Ministry
- Instructor at Concordia University, St Paul, MN
- Instructor at Augsburg College, Minneapolis, MN
- Twenty + years experience in leading dynamic youth ministry programs
- Popular speaker for youth gathering
- Trainer of adults in youth ministry
- Volunteer at home congregation in Burnsville, MN

EDUCATION

- A.A. (Minnesota Bible College)
- BA in Middle School Education (University of Northern Iowa)
- MA in Youth Leadership (Luther Seminary)

PROFESSIONAL RECOGNITION

- Author or Coauthor of
 - *Heart Ignite*
 - *Enhancing My Friend's Self-Worth*
 - *Scripture Talk*
 - *Real Questions*
 - *Growing Groups*
 - *Peer Ministry*
- Partnership with America's Promise