

SCARS POCKET PROXE SCRIPT

1. Introduce yourself, state your purpose, and ask permission.

I'm _____. We're with InterVarsity Christian Fellowship and we're talking with people today about scars, and looking to have discussions about how scars relate to spirituality. Do you have a few minutes to participate?

2. Invite them to share a scar story.

First, we'd like you to share a story behind your favorite scar.

You may need to give your own example of a scar you have and how you got it to get them thinking, e.g. I fell on the sidewalk when I was 7 and got stitches in my chin.

3. Show them the first side of the Pocket Proxe and invite them to share about deeper, emotional scars.

This picture contains art that depicts deeper, less-visible scars. There are things done to us that leave damage or scars in our lives that aren't visible, like divorce, broken relationships, death of a loved one, abuse, etc. On this picture, use the pen/marker to color in or circle the word that represents the emotional scar that you have received. Would you be willing to share a story about how you have had deeper scars in your life?

Listen and respond accordingly as they share. You may even share a personal testimony if it seems appropriate.

4. Flip the Pocket Proxe to show the back side and engage in conversation about ways they have left scars as well.

We don't only have scars left on us, we also leave scars on others and the world around us. These pictures illustrate some ways that we may have done this. For example, getting angry with someone and saying hurtful things, being wasteful, not thinking of the needs of other people. So, in the last week, if you have left a scar on someone else or the world in some way, we'd like you to leave a "scar" or mark by placing an X over the photo with the pen/marker.

5. Transition to the personal response questions.

We'd love to get your response to this. Can I ask you a few more questions?

If "no," thank them, ask for contact information, and give them InterVarsity information. If "yes," continue to step 6.

6. Ask them the three response questions:

1. As humans, we are really good at feeling pain and hurting others. What do you think our scars reveal about ourselves and the world around us?
2. Do you think it's possible to find healing from our personal scars and the damage that we cause in the world? If so, then how?
3. What impact does your spirituality have on finding healing for your scars?

7. After listening to their answers, ask if you can share what God has to do with all of this, and transition into the gospel presentation.

The Bible actually says that it is through Jesus' scars we are healed. Can I share with you how we can experience healing through Jesus' scars in our lives and for the world?

8. Share the gospel.

Make sure your presentation includes these main points:

God, Us, Sin, Jesus (Life, Death, Resurrection)

Response: Turn, Follow, Fellowship

You may also contextualize your presentation by using the scars-specific language outlined below.

Gospel Components	Scars-Specific Context
God	God created the world for good and intended justice for people and systems.
People/Sin	We have left scars on our relationships and this world by the choices we've made or things others have done to us. There is brokenness in how we treat people and they treat us.
God's Judgment/ Jesus' Death	Because it doesn't sit right with God that his people are being mistreated, these injustices must be punished. Jesus' scars and death paid for these evils and our rejection of God's plan for our lives and world.
Jesus' Resurrection	Instead of death and the perpetuation of injustice and scarring, Jesus' resurrection enables personal and corporate healing. Jesus empowers us to bring healing to our lives and justice to the world through his scars.
Repentance/ Lordship	Ask for Jesus' leadership in your life to bring healing, restoration, and change. Join a community that pursues God's plan for healing in relationships and the world in order to stop the cycle of scarring.

9. Invite them to respond.

Would you like to become a follower of Jesus today?