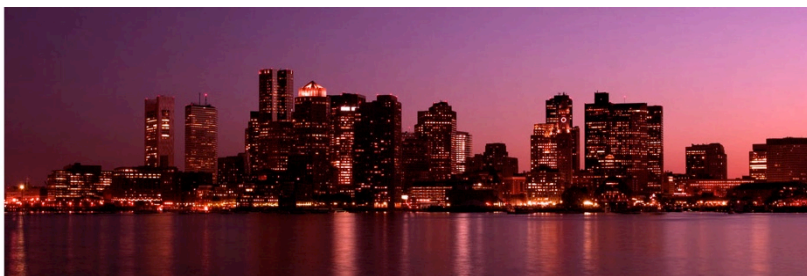


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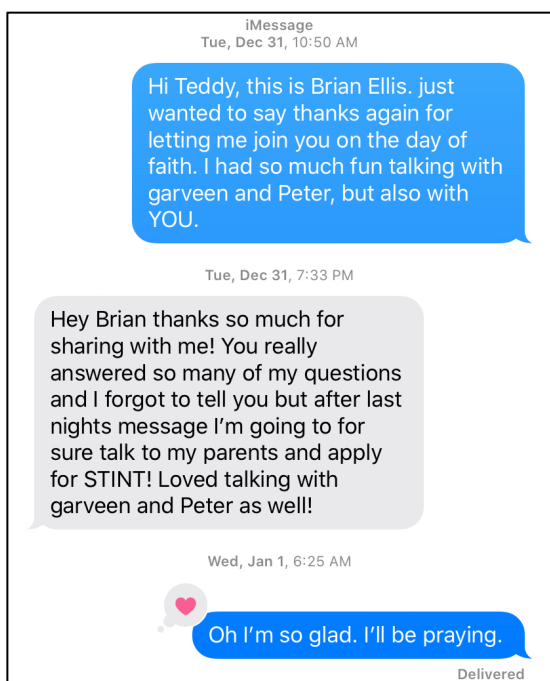
Teddy

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powerful experience for the students - but also for me. We spent a day helping at the Houston Food Bank (look for the tall white guy in this photo). And we also spent a “day of faith” fanned out across Houston starting spiritual conversations with people we met. We got to explore peoples’ ethnic and spiritual backgrounds

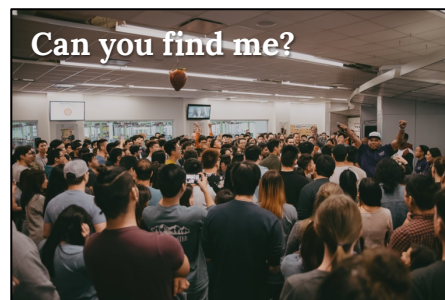
I got paired up with a student named Teddy from Cal Poly SLO. Teddy and I had fun conversations with Peter and Garveen that afternoon. Peter, it turned out was an atheist, conservative, gay, Jewish, republican immigrant from Israel who hated immigration. And Garveen was an agnostic Sikh with a French dad and a Pakistani mom. Teddy and I marveled after each conversation at how much we learned and how little we expected from each of these guys.

I also had a great time encouraging Teddy in his own walk with the Lord. Here’s a fun text message chain from a day later:



“What’s your favorite story from the bible?” That’s not the question I expected from Peter. After all, Peter was trying to sell me and my friend Teddy some \$100 face cream. I normally walk fast past people like Peter in the mall - passing out little samples of face cream. But on this particular day, Teddy and I had time to stop and talk with Peter and as we did, spiritual topics came up. Peter told us his favorite story was about Moses coming into the promised land. I told him the story of the Prodigal Son in Luke 15.

Let me take a step back in the story. I spent the last couple days of 2019 down in Houston, TX with a few hundred Asian American students from across the country for our Epic national student conference. It was such a



It’s always easier for me to NOT go out to share the gospel. I can fill my schedule with many other “good” things. And yet... getting to talk with students about Jesus always leaves me filled up and excited. Why do I avoid it so much?

Loving our adventurous Lord,

Would you pray:

For Teddy and the other Epic students that came to the conference – that they would continue following Jesus.

For Peter and Garveen – that our conversations would spark curiosity so they too could follow Christ.



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