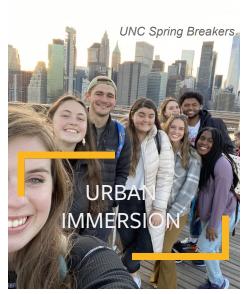
# THE NEW YORK MINUTE

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**LONELY BUT LONGING** 

"When I think about what you said yesterday about Christianity, I get weepy," CCNY transfer student, Cameron\*, shared with David and some visiting Spring Breakers.

It's the 1st year since covid began we've been able to host Cru spring break students from around the country. And thankfully CCNY is finally back in person. This meant Univ. of Georgia & UNC Chapel Hill SBers could go on campus, partner with our staff/ students, and initiate spiritual conversations. David and Abigail (UGA freshman) talked with 8+ students with varying interest levels before meeting Cameron\*, sitting alone after her classes.

Using a worldview survey tool called Perspective Cards (tinyurl.com/cru-perspective-cards), we learned she was laden with guilt/shame. She'd grown up near Catholicism, but lost interest quickly. Once asked to godmother,

her interest returned and she went through confirmation. Here she discovered both lofty standards of holiness and how far away she was; every time she thought about it shame would set in.

"I know there's a God, but I'll never please Him. So, I just try not to think about it and live my life." Through her bundles of Qs, David shared how Christ traded places with us at the cross; God accepts people in Christ, not merely as 'approved rule keepers,' but 'loved children.' "Your good behavior will never die for you, but God has." She spent all night thinking on our convo and sharing it with her significant other. She hasn't trusted Christ, but she wants so badly to. We've found GenZ students often need more time to process their Qs before believing. What a beautiful gift of a convo as it was the first day back after our perfectly timed Sabbatical. Pray God draws her to Himself, saves her and speaks powerfully through her.

\*name changed for this letter

#### Book

From Weakness To Strength by Scott Sauls

#### Verse

..you were ransomed.. not with perishable things.. but with the precious blood of Christ, like that of a lamb without blemish or spot. - 1 Peter 1:18-19

## **Prayer**

- Pray Tercarah, CCNY Sr & new sister in Christ, and Cameron\* can encourage each other in faith
- God would strengthen our marriage ever more, to be gospel picture to others
- Daniel, Sergio, Rebecca, Jeremy, other new students to grow in community
- Gospel opportunities with neighbors & moms Ashley's been connecting with

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