

ROCKSOLID REFUGE

Restoring Adolescent Lives



Something I'm never going to forget about my time at Rock Solid Refuge is the way that God has affirmed his calling for my life. God was affirming my love for these students, and the way he loves me, and the calling that he has on my life for troubled teens.

The students that you meet at Rock Solid are different than ones that you may encounter at your local youth group, or at Bible camp, or any other ministry. Many of the students here never had the opportunity to be vulnerable. They've never lived in a place where they felt like they could trust someone with who they are and with their secrets.

I had to become the kind of person that they knew they could trust. I had to demonstrate every day that I wasn't there to take their pain and use it against them. That I was there to be present, to listen, and to show the way to Christ, because Christ is the one who can take away that pain and help us walk through our struggles and learn from them.

If you're considering a career where you want to work on your character, or even just be pushed, I would encourage you to consider Rock Solid as the place for you to do just that. God has pushed me in a lot of different areas. For me, one of the biggest areas of growth was learning to relying on his grace to get through the tough days. It is by his grace that I have the opportunity to work with these students who so many other people would just throw to the side.

When I left Prairie College after receiving my degree, I asked myself the question, "Who are the mentors that I'm going to have? What are those relationships that are going to be building into me?" Over my time at Rock Solid, God has shown me that there are many people here that are willing to pour into my life. Many of the staff gave me the opportunity to be vulnerable and share the things that I struggled with. People who are willing to step into my life.

For me it can take a while to build friendships with people, especially new friendships. I spent four years at Prairie building meaningful relationships. I never thought I would experience that again. But when I came to Rock Solid these deep relationships formed naturally with the other Youth Care Workers who I consider lifelong friends. Those friendships blessed my heart deeply.

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