

Jay Lowder

Evangelist, Founder of Jay Lowder Harvest Ministries

Jay Lowder is a dynamic communicator whose contemporary style enables him to connect with all audiences. Called to full-time evangelism in 1989, Lowder is the founder of Jay Lowder Harvest Ministries, an organization dedicated to reaching diverse groups of people with the message of Jesus. Because of his personal life story and extensive travel and experience speaking to students and adults, he has credibility to speak to a variety of topics, such as:



Recovering from tragedy, natural disaster or loss – Lowder’s family lost everything to a tornado when he was 13. The fear and insecurity stayed with him for years, even after the tornado was long gone. He can speak from his own personal experience of being victim to a natural disaster as a teen and also how to walk through the rebuilding process as a family – on an emotional and spiritual level.

Teen promiscuity, bullying, chemical abuse – Lowder has developed the nationally acclaimed, mainstream school assembly, Crossroads, which has been presented to more than 2 million students nationwide. The program has drawn overwhelming responses from students and parents alike, and has connected Lowder into the vein of the youth culture while providing a catalyst to reach thousands of young men and women. Lowder can speak into the difficulties the 21st century teen faces and the solutions for conquering these issues.

Marriage/relationship recovery – Lowder and his wife nearly called it “quits” more than 15 years ago. Dealing with some personal issues brought on by his wife’s childhood sexual abuse and his own personal faith crisis, they decided that while they would remain married for their children and to uphold their marriage covenant, they would lead separate lives. It was only through a friend urging them to seek counseling and Lowder’s return to his faith that they were able to heal their marriage. He now uses his personal experience to help others couples.

Overcoming Suicide and Hopelessness – Prior to full-time evangelism, Lowder considered suicide, going as far as pointing a pistol at his temple; however, his attempt came to an abrupt halt when his roommate unexpectedly walked through the door. It was this instance that helped Lowder understand that there is purpose in life. Lowder can speak to his own personal experience of feeling hopeless and what helped him turn his life around and choose a way other than suicide.

Understanding and Building Bridges with Family in the LGTB Community –

Lowder can share from his own experience, having once been estranged from his sister who has been living as a gay woman for decades. He can explain and provide tips related to how he and his sister were able to start and continue building a close relationship even though he does not agree with her lifestyle. He understands and relates with parents and siblings who struggle with the choice of a loved relative who pursues a gay lifestyle while providing practical ways to cultivate understanding and harmony.

Spiritual Decline – Having traveled for over 17 years speaking to individuals of faith, Lowder can address the trends in society that point to spiritual and social decline while offering encouragement, parallel and insight. Lowder's versatility comes from speaking to people from numerous cultures, races and religions from all over the world. This enables him to connect and discuss how societal issues impact the spiritual, political and moral climate of society.