

Higher Things

DARE TO BE LUTHERAN

2015 WRITER'S THEMES AND GUIDELINES

WE'RE GLAD YOU'RE CONSIDERING WRITING FOR HIGHER THINGS MAGAZINE! HIGHER THINGS MAGAZINE IS A 32-PAGE, FULL-COLOR MAGAZINE DEDICATED TO ENRICHING THE FAITH OF LUTHERAN YOUTH, SPECIFICALLY BETWEEN THE AGES OF 13-19. OUR FOCUS IS GOD'S WORK THROUGH CHRIST FOR SALVATION.

ALL ARTICLES SHOULD BE WRITTEN WITH A PROPER DISTINCTION BETWEEN LAW AND GOSPEL AND LIBERALLY SPRINKLED WITH LOTS OF JESUS. PLEASE KEEP IN MIND THAT YOU ARE WRITING WITH HIGH SCHOOL-AGED YOUTH IN MIND SO NO OVERLY SCHOLARLY ARTICLES, HOWEVER ACADEMICALLY CHALLENGING (DEPENDING ON THE TOPIC) IS WELCOMED! PLEASE KEEP YOUR ARTICLE BETWEEN APPROXIMATELY 750–1,000 WORDS LONG. ALSO ADDING A SHORT BIO AND A NICE HIGH-RESOLUTION PHOTO TO YOUR SUBMISSION IS A PLUS!

USE THE FOLLOWING GENERAL LIST TO GET YOU STARTED OR FEEL FREE TO GO IN A COMPLETELY DIFFERENT DIRECTION. WE FEATURE ONE TOPICAL ISSUE A YEAR AND COLLECT EXCELLENT ARTICLES FOR THE REMAINING ISSUES. NORMALLY WE SOLICIT SPECIFIC AUTHORS FOR THE TOPICAL ISSUE BUT IF YOU HAPPEN TO WRITE ON THAT PARTICULAR TOPIC AND WE LIKE THE ARTICLE, WE WILL INCLUDE IT. IF YOU HAVE ANOTHER IDEA, PLEASE SEND A NOTE TO SUBMISSIONS@HIGHERTHINGS.ORG AND ASK US WHAT WE THINK!

CHURCH

- Adiaphora
- Stewardship
- Most influential Lutheran in your life
- Evangelism
- Apologetics
- Missions
- Meditation
- Prayer/personal devotions
- Church Music
- Hero in the faith

LIFE

- Body image
- Adoption
- Ethics
- Vocation
- Being a man
- Being a woman
- Addiction
- Suicide
- Depression/Mental illness
- Humor

THEOLOGY

- Apologetics
- Small Catechism
- Modern heresies vs ancient heresies
- Pietism
- OT type/shadow/fulfillment
- Faith and science
- End times

SCHOOL

- Social
- Bullying
- Post-Modernism
- Defending your faith
- Choosing a college
- Transition to college

RELATIONSHIPS

- Loneliness
- Dating
- Getting along with difficult people
- What is true friendship?
- Marriage
- Sexuality
- Pornography

RELIGIONS/DENOMINATIONS/BELIEFS

- Mormonism
- Jehovah's Witnesses
- Cults
- Scientology
- Islam
- Christian denominations
- Talking with non-Lutheran fans
- Atheism

CULTURE/SOCIETY

- LGBT topics
- Social media
- Environmentalism
- Cloning
- Philosophy
- Music

CHURCH/STATE

- Elections
- Presidency
- Constitution
- Separation of Church and State
- Christian Nation?
- Respect for leaders