

## **Goodness Reigns – *Share the Story* Contest Eligibility Requirements**

1. Eligibility is open to anyone worldwide.
2. One does not need to be Catholic to enter.
3. Entrants under 18 years of age or who are still in high school must have parental permission or approval from a designated guardian to enter.
4. For those under 18 years of age or who are still in high school, entry forms must be approved by an adult sponsor (parent, teacher, youth minister).
5. If a team enters and wins a category award, the individual submitting the film will receive the travel package or the video equipment package to be shared among the team participants.
6. Group entries must be in one member's name and the other names listed below the entry. A group entry may be submitted only once by a single group member.
7. Adults may provide consultation and advice during the production process and we do encourage parent/child collaboration. However, youth ages 14 and above must lead the production process.
8. All winners traveling to World Youth Day 2011 must sign a Code of Conduct Form.
9. The winning team in the High School Youth Award must consist of at least three adults who have signed a Code of Conduct document.
10. Participants may not submit an entry that has been submitted previously to the *Outside da Box Video Challenge* or the *Goodness Reigns "Share the Story" Contest*.
11. Participants may submit more than one film but they may only submit each film once. A separate registration form and payment must be completed for each additional film. (The Registration Form may be completed online, faxed or sent by mail and is found at <http://www.goodnessreigns.com/contest-rules.php>.)
12. All entries become the property of *Goodness Reigns* and its parent organization *Outside da Box*. Participants maintain the right to continue to use their film entry any way they may choose, but *Goodness Reigns/Outside da Box* also maintains the right to use the entry on their websites, in promotional materials, and in any way deemed beneficial to the competition or its mission.
13. Please note: Goodness Reigns has opened participation in the contest to those from around the world who will be at least 14 by August 2011, which is in line with the official World Youth Day website. Here is the explanation on age limit from the official WYD website: "Pilgrims must be at least 14 years old by the summer of 2011 to participate. Of course, young families with children under the age of 14 are welcome to attend, understanding that the World Youth Day Office cannot assume responsibility for the care of young children. Pilgrims usually fall between the ages of 14 and 30. The average participant is between 16 and 25 years old."  
However, we ask that those participating in the contest from the United States understand that the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops recommends participation in World Youth Day begin at age 16.

### **Guidelines for Film Content**

1. Submitted films should be *no longer than 7 minutes*, including opening and closing credits.
2. Entries must have been completed between Nov. 19, 2009, and Jan. 10, 2011.
3. Entries must illustrate a respect for all people, regardless of gender, race or creed, and must not contain any nudity or unnecessary and excessive violence as well as content that would be considered by the general community to be offensive or in poor taste.
4. Entries must promote a respect for all creation.
5. *Goodness Reigns/Outside da Box* reserves the right to reuse any content submitted for

promotional purposes.

### **Entry Submission Guidelines**

1. Prior registration is suggested but not mandatory. Registration forms may be obtained at the following web address: [www.goodnessreigns.com/contest-rules.php](http://www.goodnessreigns.com/contest-rules.php).) Registration is free.
2. You will receive confirmation by email of your registration.
3. All submitted material must be original work or properly credited within your film entry. You may not include in your film submissions any copyrighted video, audio or art unless you receive written permission from the owner of the intellectual property. Participants may use material deemed in the public domain but must provide sufficient reference in closing credits.
4. Media releases must be received by *Goodness Reigns* staff no later than 12:00 midnight Jan. 18, 2011. The Media Release Form may be downloaded from the following location: <http://www.goodnessreigns.com/contest-rules.php>
5. Entries may be mailed beginning Nov. 19, 2009, and until Monday, Jan. 10, 2011.
6. *Goodness Reigns* staff will review each film for content and appropriateness prior to its posting on the *Goodness Reigns* website. If a film is deemed inappropriate or outside the content area of the contest, the entrant will be notified.
7. Contest films must be postmarked or sent electronically by Jan. 10, 2011, and

sent to:

Goodness Reigns  
Share the Story Contest  
c/o Outside da Box  
P.O. Box 3862  
St. Charles, IL 60174

***Each film MUST BE submitted with media release forms and a completed submission form.*** Find forms here <http://www.goodnessreigns.com/contest-rules.php>.

Call toll-free (866-456-6936) or email ([info@outsidedabox.com](mailto:info@outsidedabox.com)) to receive information regarding acceptable video file formats. We prefer to receive your video on a DV-Mini tape, but you may also send it on DVD or CD. If you send a CD, we would prefer an H.264 file, but you may also send a .MOV, .AVI, .MPEG, or .WMV.

If you want to submit the file to us electronically (which is great), we would suggest you use a free FTP service like YouSendIt.

8. Winners will be notified prior to the public announcement of winners on April 1, 2011.

### **Additional Information**

If you have specific questions or requests not mentioned in the material above, please send them to [Suzanne@goodnessreigns.com](mailto:Suzanne@goodnessreigns.com).

Please check [www.goodnessreigns.com](http://www.goodnessreigns.com) for contest updates.