

Something Greater Than Camp



CAMP is Bob's favorite event of the year! During camp, Bob enjoys being outside and seeing God's creation all around Him. So many exciting adventures happen every year! The problem is that camp only lasts for a short time. **WHAT MAKES CAMP SO GREAT?** During this lesson, you will learn about a decision that will impact your entire future, both life and death.

SEARCH IT!



Camp would not be the same without friends to spend time with...but there is a friend greater than ANY other friend you could ever meet! His name is Jesus (John 15:13). Jesus is God's Son. Jesus never sinned. He loves you and me so much that He wanted to pay the penalty for the sins you do. Jesus was mocked (*teased*), beaten, bruised, and even put to *death* to take your punishment! He shed His blood for you. (Read John 3:16, Isaiah 53:3-6)

Do you remember from lesson two what sin is?

- A. Sin is anything good that you do, say, or, think.
- B. Sin is only if you murder, steal, or go to jail.
- C. Sin is anything that you do, say or think that breaks God law.

Read Matthew 27:29. What was the crown made of that was put on Jesus' head before He was crucified?

- A. gold
- B. jewels
- C. flowers
- D. thorns

Read Romans 5:8. Who did Jesus Christ die for?

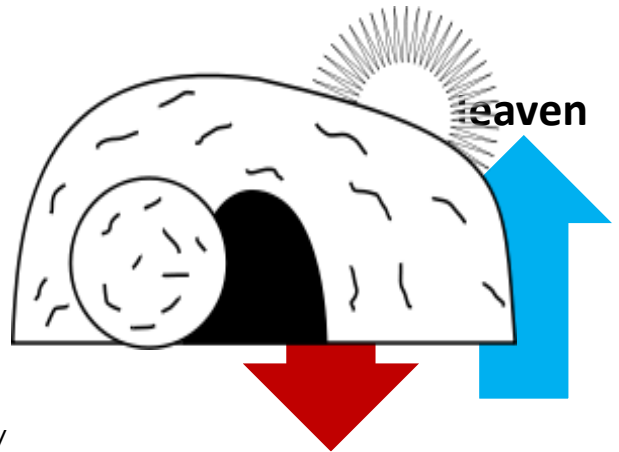
- A. sinners
- B. good people
- C. just Jews
- D. nobody



Camp is a great place, but it is not *perfect*! Did you know that there is **a place far greater than camp** or any other place on earth? It is a perfect place where

there is no sin, and nothing bad happens. In the last lesson, you learned that hell is a terrible place, made originally for the devil and his angels... but God provided another option for you.

After Jesus died on the cross, and was buried, He came back to life again. This is called the "resurrection." He showed that He has the power over death, and that same power He wants to give to you by letting you live forever with Him. Even Christians have to die from this earth, but there is life after death, both for believers and unbelievers, in one of two places. Now Jesus is in a beautiful place called Heaven, preparing a place for all who believe and accept Him! (John 14:2)



Read Revelation 21:4-5. These verses tell some things that will NOT be in Heaven. Click any of the following that will NOT be in Heaven:

Joy crying death sorrow
peace pain

What does resurrection mean?

- A. To get back up after falling
- B. To come back to life after dying
- C. To be reassured of something

What did Jesus show He has power over through the resurrection?

- A. Coffins
- B. Death & Sin
- C. God & the Bible
- D. Grass

Jesus never sinned. (Circle your answer.) true false

Camp is a LOT of fun, but something even greater is that you can know how a relationship with Jesus can change your life. You can know for sure that when

you die you will be in Heaven, and you can have your sins forgiven today! He is waiting for you to let Him into your life.

The choice to get saved (rescued from sin) should only be done once, for all. If you have never been saved, why not make the choice today?

God wants you to accept Jesus as the One who can save you from sin. He takes away and forgives sins you've done in the past, the sins you do now, and the sins you will do in the future and make you completely clean in the eyes of God!

Here is the only way that you can know 100% that you are saved and forgiven:

Choose...

To believe that the Bible is God's Word and that it shows how you can be saved.

Admit...

that you are a sinner and that you believe Jesus is the only way to heaven, because He paid your penalty when He died on the cross and came back to life again. (Romans 3:23, Romans 5:8)

Make a choice...

to trust in Him alone to forgive your sins. "For whosoever shall call upon the name of the Lord shall be saved." (Read Romans 10:13 & Ephesians 2:8-9)

Pray...

Ask God to save you. A prayer cannot save you, but believing does. Talking to God is just a way to say to God what you already have chosen to believe in your heart. (Romans 10:9-13)

Remember, there are no "magic words" to pray in order to get saved, but if you never have accepted Jesus' free gift of salvation, you can choose to today. Here is a sample of what you could pray if you truly believe and want to be saved right now. The Bible says, "Today is the day of salvation."

Dear God,

I know I have done wrong things,

and I deserve to die and go to hell because of my sin.

I believe Jesus died to take my punishment and came back to life again.

Today, please give me the gift of eternal life in Heaven,

save me, and make me clean from my sin.

I love you and thank you for saving me

and making me your child.

In Jesus name, Amen.

How many times does a person need to be saved?

- A. Once
- B. Every day
- C. Never



True or False? Saying a repeated prayer is what saves you.

True or False? It is ok to believe that there is more than one way to Heaven when you get saved. _____

Has there been a time and place in your life where you have made the choice to accept Jesus into your life to save you? _____

Think about it! When you get saved, you become part of the family of God. If you have already believed and accepted Jesus, do you live like you are His child?



TRY THIS!

Ask the strongest person you know to hold a penny in their hand as tight as they

