



My Name Is _____

Camper Handbook for Camp 1 and Camp 2

THE PUZZLE OF LIFE.... TRUSTING GOD IS THE KEY!

Welcome to HOPE'S HAVEN!
We're glad you're here and are looking forward to a great time at camp!

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The puzzle of life! How does it all fit together?



The Bible has the answer!

It's God's plan for putting the Puzzle of Life together.



Jesus is the answer! Allow Him to put the puzzle pieces of your life back together!

He can find the missing pieces, fix the broken pieces, and replace the lost pieces. And the pieces that don't seem to fit? He knows exactly where they belong!

When Jesus put the pieces back together, the final picture is one of awesome beauty!

Purpose: God has a plan for you!

Trust: Letting God handle it!

Submission: Obeying those in authority! **Self Control:** The power to choose right! **Forgiving:** Because God has forgiven you!

Growing: Maturity in the Lord!





-Tell Us About Yourself-

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Got Questions



Is the devil for real? How do I fight against him?

(1 Peter 5:8-9, Ephesians 6:10-18, James 4:7)

How do I become a Christian? (Romans 5:8, John 3:16, Titus 3:5, Romans 6:23)

If God loves us, why do bad things happen to people? (Romans 3:23, Romans 5:3, Romans 8:28, John 16:33, Revelation 21:4)

Shouldn't abortion be a woman's choice?

(Jeremiah 1:5, Psalm 139:13-16, Psalm 127:3)

What does the Bible say about homosexuality?

(Genesis 1:27, Genesis 2:24, Mark 10:6-9)

What's the difference between creation and evolution? Does it really matter? (Genesis 1:1-2, Genesis 1:27, Hebrews 3:4, Psalm 124:8)

Adults really don't understand kids. Things are different now. (Ecclesiastes 1:4-9)

Will God forgive people who sin? (1 John 1:9, Psalm 103:12, Ephesians 4:32)

How do I tell others about God?

(Luke 8:39, Acts 1:8, 1 Peter 3:15)

How do I make and keep good friends?

(Proverbs 16:7, Hebrews 10:24, Proverbs 12:26)

What does the Bible say about drinking and drugs? (Ephesians 5:18,

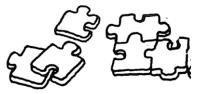
Proverbs 23:29-35, 1 Corinthians 6:12, 1 Corinthians 10:31, 1 Corinthians 6:19)

What does the Bible say will happen in the future? (1 Corinthians 2:9, Romans 8:18, Revelation 21:4, Titus 1:2)

Do you have a different question? Ask your Mentor!

DOES THE BIBLE HAVE THE ANSWERS?

CHECK IT OUT!





| KNOW how much GOD Loves you and that He |
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| sent Jesus to show you His Amazing Love! |
| Romans 5:8 says |
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ADMIT ... you have sinned and ASK GOD to forgive you and wipe those sins away forever!

1 John 1:9 says _______



RECEIVE JESUS ... accept Him as your Savior. When you do, you become God's own special child. Awesome!

John 1:12 says ______



NEW LIFE ... begins when you give your life to God!You're a "new creation" -- It's like a fresh start!2 Corinthians 5:17 says _______



REPENT ... from your sins! That means stop doing what you know is wrong & start doing right!

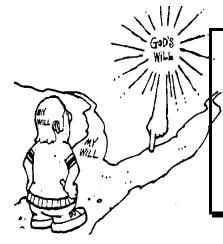
Acts 3:19 says ______

Why Should I Become a Christian?

To Know God's Love and Forgiveness!

"For God loved the world so much that he gave his one and only Son, so that everyone who believes in him will not perish but have eternal life." --John 3:16





To Receive God's Help Each Day! God is a Loving Father Who Will Help You, Guide You and Protect You!

'For I know the plans I have for you', says the LORD. 'They are plans for good and not for disaster, to give you a future and a hope'." --Jeremiah 29:11

To Live Right! God's Ways Are Best and He Will Give You The Strength to Do It!

"For I can do everything through Christ, who gives me strength." -- Philippians 4:13





To Have a Real Home in Heaven! A Forever Place of God's Goodness, No Sadness or Suffering!

"I am going to prepare a place for you." -- John 14:2

"He will wipe every tear from their eyes, and there will be no more death or sorrow or crying or pain.

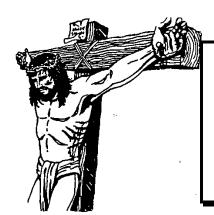
All these things are gone forever." --Revelation 21:4

How Do I Become a Christian?

Realize Your Sins Have Separated You From God!

"For everyone has sinned; we all fall short of God's glorious standard." --Romans 3:23





Know That Jesus' Death on the Cross Paid the Penalty for Your Sins! He Took the Punishment We Deserved!

"But God showed his great love for us by sending Christ to die for us while we were still sinners." --Romans 5:8

Know that Jesus Rose From the Grave And Conquered Death! Believe in Jesus! Ask Him To Forgive You & Make You New!

"This means that anyone who belongs to Christ has become a new person. The old life is gone; a new life has begun." -- 2 Corinthians 5:17





Grow In Jesus! Live Each Day With Him! Pray & Read The Bible Daily!

"And now, just as you accepted Christ Jesus as your Lord, you must continue to follow him." --Colossians 2:6

Memory Verses



Day 1 - Purpose

Jeremiah 29:11 "I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "plans to prosper you, and not to harm you.

Plans to give you hope and a future."

Day 2 - Trust

Proverbs 3:5 Trust in the Lord with all your heart and lean not on your own understanding.

Submission

Proverbs 3:6 In all your ways submit to him, and he will make your paths straight.

Day 3 - Self Control

Proverbs 25:28 Like a city whose walls are broken through is a person who lacks self control.

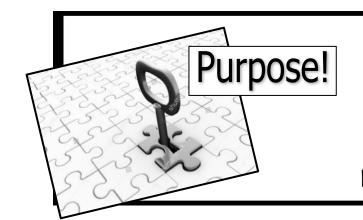
Forgiving

Ephesians 4:32 Be kind and compassionate to one another, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.

Day 4 - Growing

2 Peter 3:18 But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.





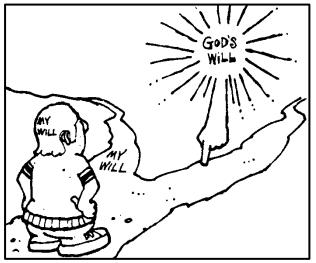
Jeremiah 29:11

"For I know the plans I have for you," declares the Lord, "Plans to prosper you and not to harm you, plans to give you hope and a future."

| God's plan is Good! | You can trust Him! |
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| How does the Bible descr | ribe God's plan for you? |

| John 10:10 | | |
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| Romans 8:28 | | |





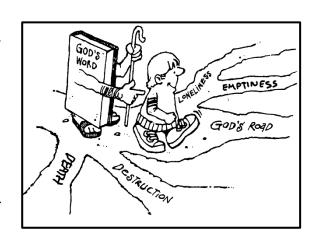
Awesome! God's plan for you is good!

But you have to do your part too! Look up these verses. What choice do you need to make to receive God's "future and hope"?

| Romans 12:1 _. | | |
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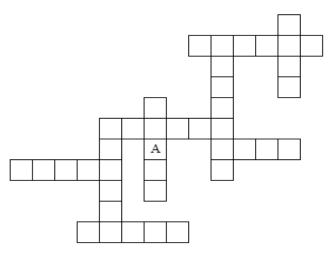
Romans 12:2 _____

1 John 1:9



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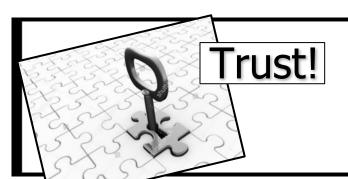
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- Joseph
- Abraham
- Moses
- Abel
- David
- Isaac
- Samson



"A-MAZE-ING"

Read God's Word every day!

Follow the heart maze to get to God's Word. Do you have God's Word in your heart?



Proverbs 3:5

Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and lean not on your own understanding.

God is TRUST-worthy! You can trust Him! Check it out! How do these verse describe God?

1 Peter 5:7 _____



How do YOU imagine God? Circle one of these pictures!



Bore













Trusting God means
putting HIM first in your
life and doing things
HIS way!

Believe God is Real! Hebrews 11:6 says _______

Believe God Loves You! John 3:16 says ______

Invite Jesus into your life! Revelation 3:20 says ______





Proverbs 3:6

In all your ways submit to him and he will make your paths straight.

Submission is knowing God is in control and He has put people over you to help you. Submission is just part of life for everyone!



Think About it! Who submits to whom!

| 1. Coach | A. Students |
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| 2. Director | B. Workers |
| 3. Teacher | C. Players |
| 4. Captain | D. Wife |
| 5. Boss | E. Soldiers |
| 6. Policeman | F. Actors |
| 7. Husband | G. Christians |
| 8. <i>G</i> od | H. Drivers |

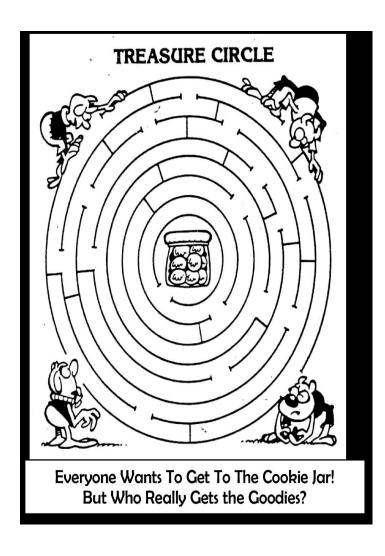
| Why is submitting so hard to do? | |
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| Is it easier to submit to some people more than others? Why? | Larve |



What do these verses say about submission?

| Romans 13:1 | | |
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| Ephesians 5:21 _ | | |
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We should always submit to God. Should we always submit to others in authority? Read and discuss Matthew 18:6. If someone in authority wants you to submit to ungodly things, tell someone!



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Where is baseball mentioned in the Bible?



Genesis 1:1 In the Big-inningi

Use the letters to decode our camp rules!

$$A = 1 \quad K = 11 \quad U = 21$$

$$B = 2 L = 12 V = 22$$

$$C = 3 M = 13 W = 23$$

$$D = 4 N = 14 X = 24$$

$$E = 5 O = 15 Y = 25$$

$$F = 6 P = 16 Z = 26$$

$$G = 7 \quad O = 17$$

$$H = 8 R = 18$$

$$I = 9 S = 19$$

$$J = 10 T = 20$$



Philippians 4:13

Proverbs 25:28

Like a city whose walls are broken through is a person who lacks self-control.

Self Control means saying "yes" to things you know are right and "no" to the things you know are wrong! But how do you do it?

| "no" to the things you know are wrong! But how do you do it? |
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| Read John 15:5. What does Jesus say about |
| 1. Who He is? |
| 2. Who you are? |
| 3. Those who remain in Him? |
| 4. Those apart from Him? |
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| What's the problem in this picture? |
| Ephesians 5:18 says, |
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| Which leads to(Excessive indulgence |
| Instead be filled with the |
| Temptation and trials are ALWAYS going to be there! What should we keep in mind when we're tempted to do something wrong, but know we should do what is right? |



Ephesians 4:32

Be kind and compassionate to one other, forgiving each other, just as in Christ God forgave you.

Have you ever been hurt? It's hard to truly forgive!

But being forgiven by God also means forgiving others!

Jesus told a parable about Forgiveness in Matthew 18:23-35.

Check it out, read it together and answer these questions!





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| 1. How much did the first servant owe the king? |
| 2. What did the king do about this giant debt? |
| 3. How much did the second servant owe the first servant? |
| 4. How did the first servant treat the second servant? |
| 5. What did the king do when he heard about this? |
| 6. What does Jesus say about this in verse 35? |
| 7. Three things I can learn from this parable are |
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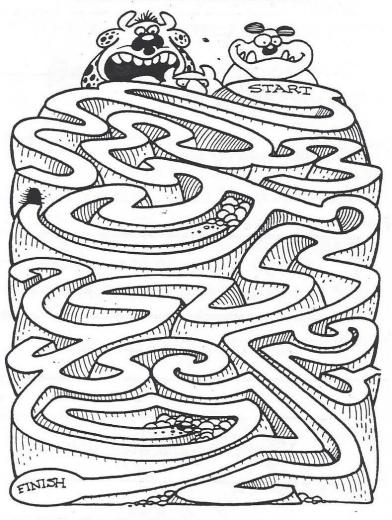
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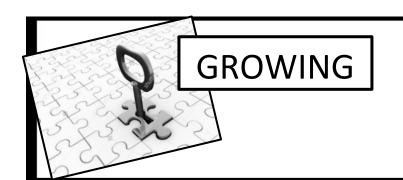


Sudoku Puzzle – Try it!
(Every row is numbered 1-9/No duplicates)

MONSTER MOUNTAIN







2 Peter 3:18

But grow in the grace and knowledge of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

A new Christian is like a new born baby!

He needs food, exercise and love to grow up and become strong and healthy! It's the same with a new Christian! The Bible is your spiritual food! You need to exercise your faith! And you need Christian fellowship to become mature in the Lord!



Check out these verses from 1 Peter about growing up spiritually!

| 1 | 1 Peter 1:8 | A. Desire the pure "milk" of God's Word |
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| 2 | 1 Peter 1:15-16 | B. Be glad in times of ordeals (hardships) |
| 3 | 1 Peter 1:22 | C. Love Jesus and believe in Him |
| 4 | 1. Peter 2:2 | D. Love each other sincerely from your heart |
| 5 | 1 Peter 2:11 | E. Be alert and pray |
| 6 | 1 Peter 3:9 | F. Be on the alert for the devil prowls like a lion |
| 7 | 1 Peter 4:7 | G. Live a holy life (stay away from the world's evil) |
| 8 | 1 Peter 4:12-13 | H. Keep away from worldly (sinful) desires |
| 9 | 1 Peter 5:7 | I. Give all your worries and cares to God |
| 10 | 1 Peter 5:8-9 | J. Pay back evil with blessing (doing good!) |
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Just as you strengthen your muscles by exercise, you can strengthen your faith by trusting God!

Ask God to help you be strong in the Lord!



A Letter from your Mentor

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WE CAN'T WAIT TO SEE YOU NEXT YEAR!

*If you move, please email us your new address!