



Seeking God's Dream

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*During a two-night session, these will be the themes discussed.



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2-Night Schedule

Day 1

| | |
|----------|-----------------------|
| 10:15 AM | Camp Kickoff |
| 11:30 AM | Back to cabins |
| 12:30 PM | Lunch |
| 1:00 PM | Free Time |
| 4:45 PM | Free Time Ends |
| 5:00 PM | Afternoon Gathering |
| 6:00 PM | Dinner |
| 6:30 PM | Cabin Activity |
| 8:00 PM | HYPE: KC Sports Jam |
| 9:15 PM | Back to Cabins |
| 10:30 PM | Lights out / Compline |

Day 2

| | |
|----------|---------------------------|
| 7:30 AM | Wake Up |
| 8:15 AM | Morning Prayer |
| 8:30 AM | Breakfast |
| 9:15 AM | Morning Gathering |
| 10:00 AM | Cabin Activity |
| 11:30 AM | HYPE: Shaving Cream Party |
| 12:30 PM | Lunch |
| 1:00 PM | Free Time |
| 4:45 PM | Freetime Ends |
| 5:00 PM | Afternoon Gathering |
| 6:00 PM | Dinner |
| 6:30 PM | Cabin Chill Time |
| 7:00 PM | Cabin Activity |
| 8:30 PM | HYPE: Night Strike |
| 9:45 PM | Back to Cabins |
| 10:30 PM | Lights out / Compline |

Day 3

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|----------|---------------------|
| 7:30 AM | Wake Up |
| 8:15 AM | Breakfast (outside) |
| 9:15 AM | Camp Finale |
| 10:00 AM | Picked Up at Cabins |
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| 6:30 PM | Cabin Chill Time |
| 7:00 PM | Cabin Activity |
| 8:30 PM | HYPE: Castaway Catastrophe |
| 9:45 PM | Back to Cabins |
| 10:30 PM | Lights out / Compline |

Day 4

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|----------|---------------------|
| 7:30 AM | Wake Up |
| 8:15 AM | Breakfast (outside) |
| 9:15 AM | Camp Finale |
| 10:00 AM | Picked Up at Cabins |
| 11:00 AM | Camp Closes |

A Surprising Seed

Parable of the Mustard Seed

MEMORY VERSE

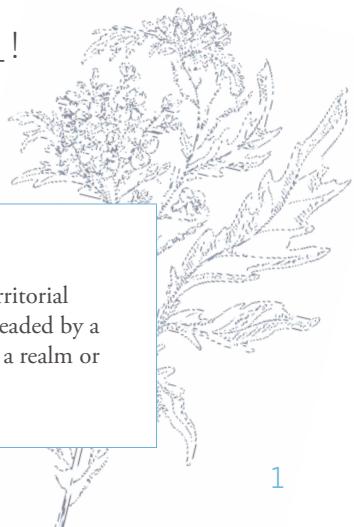
“Yet when planted, [the mustard seed] grows and becomes the largest of all garden plants, with such big branches that the birds can perch in its shade.”

Mark 4:32

GATHERING NOTES

The Kingdom of God is like a _____ -

it is _____ !



kingdom *noun*

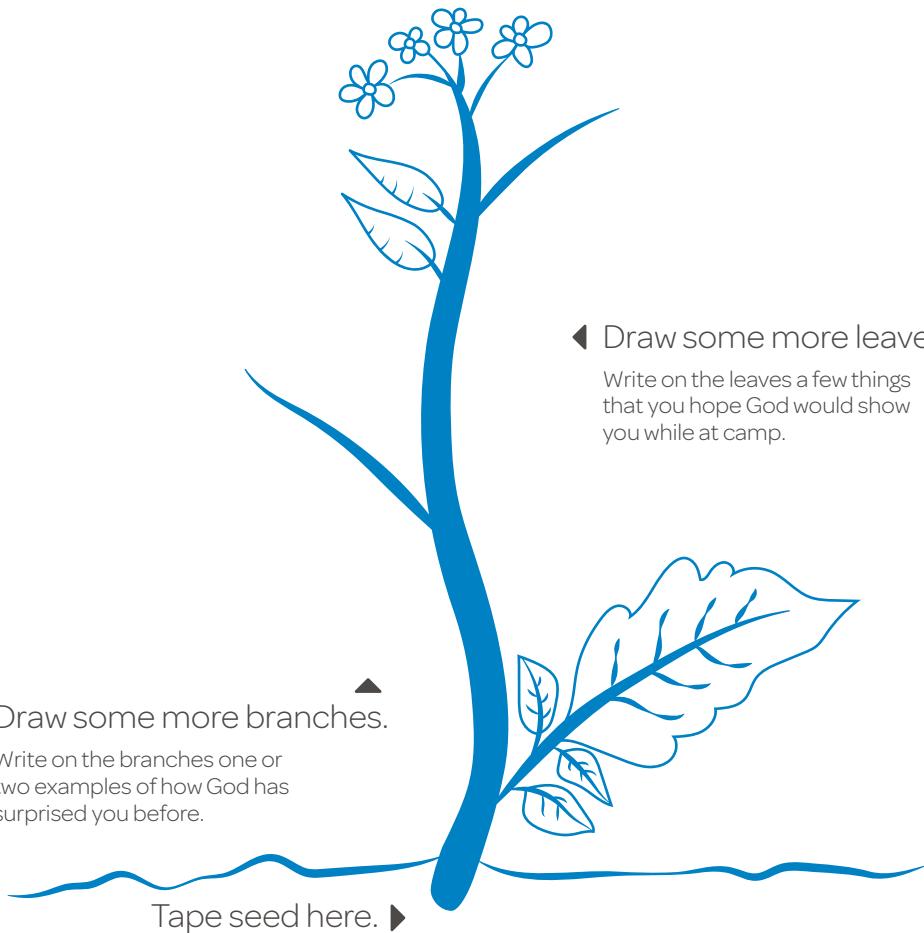
1. a politically organized community or major territorial unit having a monarchical form of government headed by a king or queen.
2. the eternal kingship of God.
3. a realm or region in which something is dominant.





THE KINGDOM OF GOD IS LIKE A MUSTARD SEED

Jesus says the Kingdom of God (what we are calling “God’s Dream”) is like a mustard seed. It starts small and then grows surprisingly huge.



A Greedy Neighbor

Parable of the Rich Fool

MEMORY VERSE

Then he said to them, “Watch out! Be on your guard against all kinds of greed; life does not consist in an abundance of possessions.”

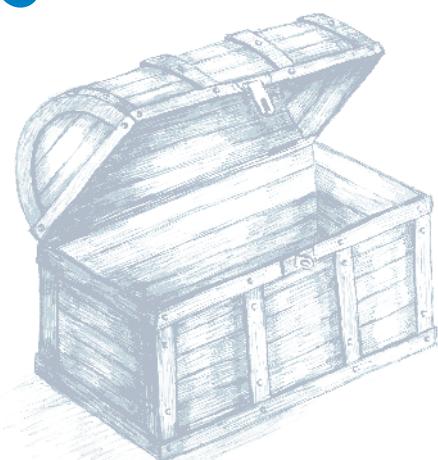
Luke 12:15

GATHERING NOTES

Write down two things that the storyteller shared that you want to remember.

1 _____

2 _____



On the treasure box, write some of the things that you are “rich” in (you have a lot of it). Think about things more than just money, like friends, activities, personality traits, kind heart, and so on.

A Greedy Neighbor CABIN EXPERIENCE



Hold up!

Don't use this page until your Cabin Leader instructs you to do so.

In our cabin experience this morning, we gave gifts to various people.
How did you and your partner decide on which gift to give?

How did you feel when you gave your gift?

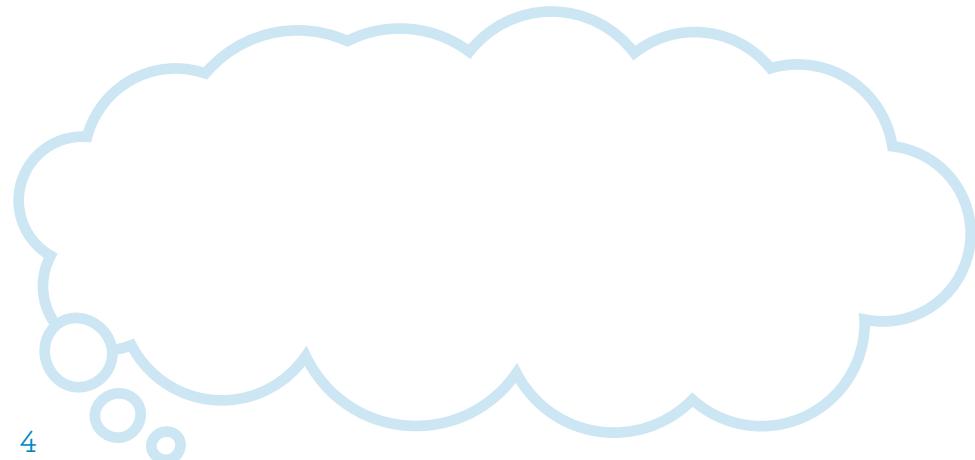
Put a STAR on this line where it best describes you.
In real life, are you someone who...



Mostly thinks
about others first

Mostly thinks
about yourself first

On the previous page, you wrote or drew about ways you are rich. Use the space below to write down (or draw) one way that you can be generous and share your "richness" with someone else?



A Prized Possession

Parable of the Lost Coin



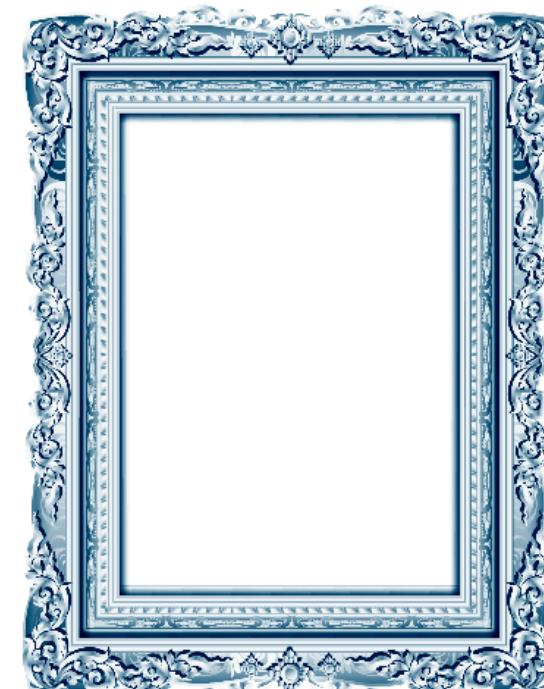
MEMORY VERSE

"And when she finds it, she calls her friends and neighbors together and says, 'Rejoice with me; I have found my lost coin.'"

Luke 15:9

GATHERING NOTES

Today I learned that
God values...



In the frame, draw a
picture of how you imagine
God's love for you.



MAD LIB

A Letter Home From Camp

Dear _____,

person you live with

I'm having a _____ time at camp with _____!

adjective

camp friend

Yesterday, on our way to _____, we saw a

camp location

giant _____. He seemed really friendly until

animal

he started to _____ after us. Today, we're going

action verb

to _____ in the _____ and then we'll eat

adjective

food

for dinner. And don't worry, I

haven't had too many sweets. I've only eaten _____

number

ice cream cones so far. I can't wait to _____ you soon!

sense

Love your _____, _____

noun

your name

CAN YOU FIND THE HIDDEN COINS?

How many coins are hidden throughout this journal?



An Unfair Boss

Parable of the Day Laborers

MEMORY VERSE

"I want to give the one who was hired last the same as I gave you. Don't I have the right to do what I want with my own money? Or are you envious because I am generous? So the last will be first, and the first will be last."

Matthew 20:14b-16

GATHERING NOTES

God teaches us that:

>





Hold up!

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5 Things I think are super unfair:

1

2

3

4

5

How easy or hard is it to be generous towards someone whom you compare yourself to all the time? Circle your answer.

NOT HARD AT ALL

NOT VERY HARD

A LITTLE HARD

VERY HARD

Why is it easy to compare?

Why is it hard to be generous?

A Hidden Ingredient

Parable of the Yeast

MEMORY VERSE

He told them still another parable:
“The kingdom of heaven is like yeast that a woman took and mixed into about sixty pounds of flour until it worked all through the dough.”

Matthew 13:33

GATHERING NOTES

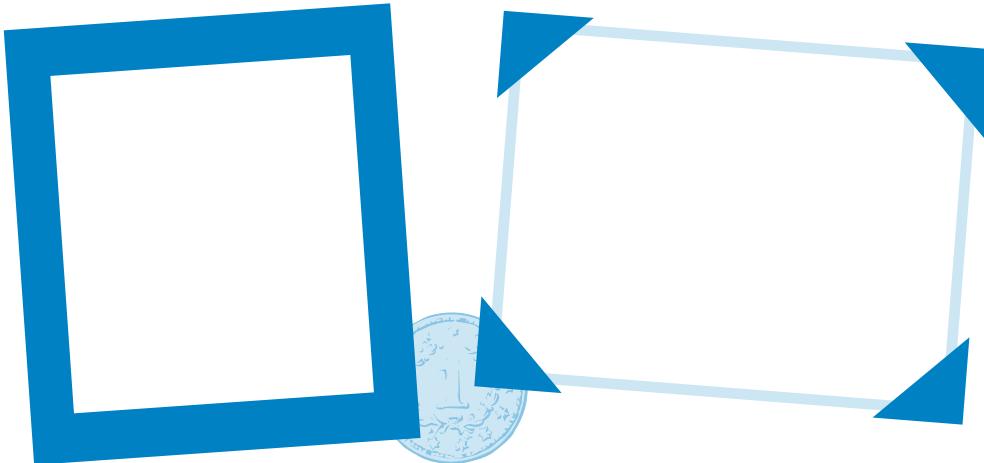
Even when God's Dream is _____,

God is _____ in our world and our lives.



MEMORY ALBUM

Write down some things you want to remember about where you saw God at work this week, and how you hope to see God's Dream at work when you go home. Look back on this page to remember all you learned this week at camp.



HIDDEN MESSAGE

Crack the code to reveal the hidden message.

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\$&Si10eMmE@T@I()M#aEeS hHu87I3DDjjEiouN2,
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"W"8ci0upRK @8oIfkN) quY770xcU!

Hint: CAPITALIZE on your strengths.

Books of the Bible

Old Testament

| | | |
|----------------|---------------|-----------|
| Genesis | Ezra | Joel |
| Exodus | Nehemiah | Amos |
| Leviticus | Esther | Obadiah |
| Numbers | Job | Jonah |
| Deuteronomy | Psalms | Micah |
| Joshua | Proverbs | Nahum |
| Judges | Ecclesiastes | Habakkuk |
| Ruth | Song of Songs | Zephaniah |
| 1st Samuel | Isaiah | Haggai |
| 2nd Samuel | Jeremiah | Zechariah |
| 1st Kings | Lamentations | Malachi |
| 2nd Kings | Ezekiel | |
| 1st Chronicles | Daniel | |
| 2nd Chronicles | Hosea | |

New Testament

| | | |
|-----------------|-------------------|------------|
| Matthew | Ephesians | Hebrews |
| Mark | Philippians | James |
| Luke | Colossians | 1st Peter |
| John | 1st Thessalonians | 2nd Peter |
| Acts | 2nd Thessalonians | 1st John |
| Romans | 1st Timothy | 2nd John |
| 1st Corinthians | 2nd Timothy | 3rd John |
| 2nd Corinthians | Titus | Jude |
| Galatians | Philemon | Revelation |

Want to earn some extra points for your team? Memorize these books of the Bible along with each day's memory verses. Once you've memorized them, tell your cabin leaders!



Compline

(KOM-plin) is the Latin word from which we derive the word completion. Compline is the final prayer service said at the end or completion of the day.

*+In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
Amen.*

Call to Worship

God of endless love,
Thank you for the love you have shown to me today. Help me to see
how you love everyone, so that I may love those around me the way
you love them. In Jesus' name. Amen.

Psalm
(on next page)

Silent reflection of the day,
and ask yourself, "When did God surprise me today?"

Prayer

Guide us waking, O Lord, and guard us sleeping; that awake
we may watch with Christ, and asleep we may rest in peace.

*+Glory be to God the Father, God the Son, and God the Holy Spirit.
As it was in the beginning, it is now, and shall be for ever and ever.
Alleluia. Amen.*

Daily Scripture Readings

Day 1 – Psalm 63:1-8

¹You, God, are my God,
earnestly I seek you;
I thirst for you,
my whole being longs for you,
in a dry and parched land
where there is no water.

²I have seen you in the sanctuary
and beheld your power and your
glory.

³Because your love is better than life,
my lips will glorify you.

⁴I will praise you as long as I live,
and in your name I will lift up my
hands.

⁵I will be fully satisfied as with the
richest of foods;
with singing lips my mouth will praise
you.

⁶On my bed I remember you;
I think of you through the watches of
the night.

⁷Because you are my help,
I sing in the shadow of your wings.

⁸I cling to you;
your right hand upholds me.

I will fear no evil,
for you are with me;
your rod and your staff,
they comfort me.

⁵You prepare a table before me
in the presence of my enemies.
You anoint my head with oil;
my cup overflows.

⁶Surely your goodness and love will
follow me
all the days of my life,
and I will dwell in the house of the Lord
forever.



Day 3 – Psalm 91:9-14

⁹If you say, "The Lord is my refuge,"
and you make the Most High your
dwelling,

¹⁰no harm will overtake you,
no disaster will come near your tent.

¹¹For he will command his angels
concerning you

to guard you in all your ways;

¹²they will lift you up in their hands,
so that you will not strike your foot
against a stone.

¹³You will tread on the lion and the
cobra;
you will trample the great lion and
the serpent.

¹⁴"Because he loves me," says the
Lord, "I will rescue him;
I will protect him, for he
acknowledges my name."

Day 2 – Psalm 23

¹The Lord is my shepherd, I lack
nothing.

²He makes me lie down in green
pastures,
he leads me beside quiet waters,
³he refreshes my soul.

He guides me along the right paths
for his name's sake.

⁴Even though I walk
through the darkest valley,



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How about some more?

Hey Fifth Graders!

Next year, you get to come for a whole week of camp!

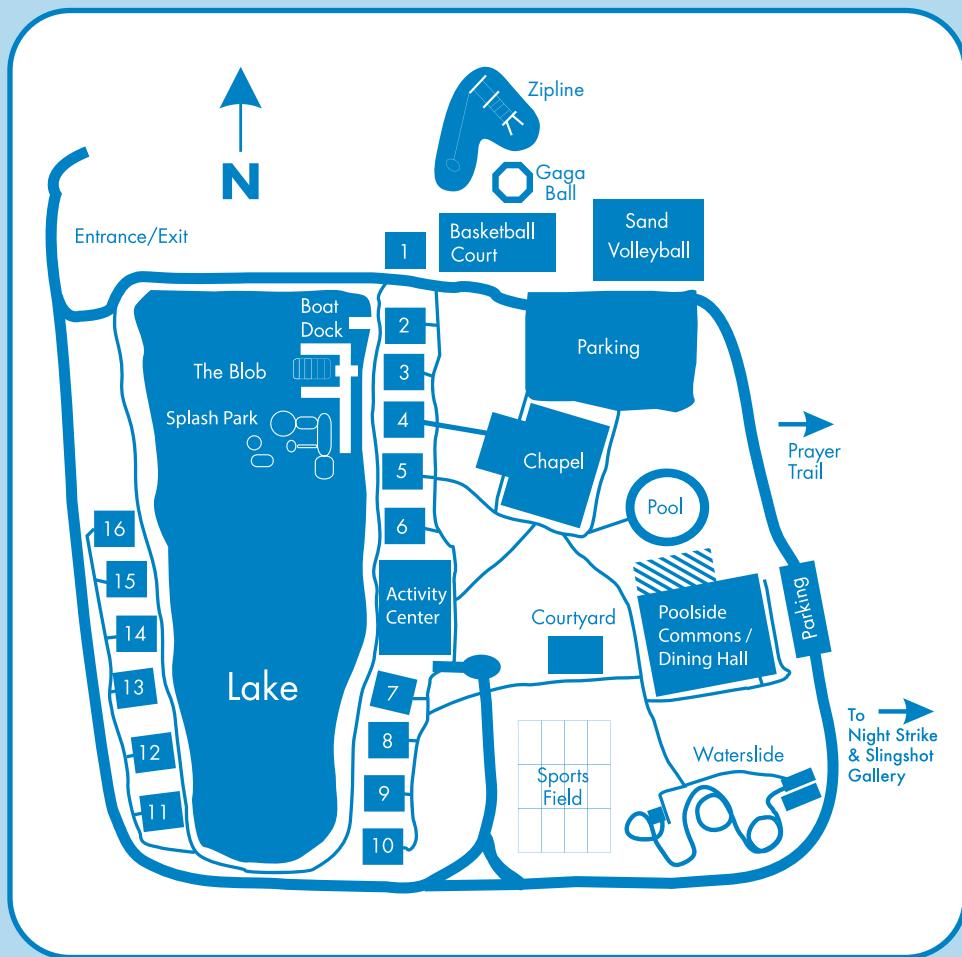
That's right. As a middle schooler, you get the full Monday through Friday camp experience.

Middle School sessions have **MORE** nights! That means they are **MORE** fun! **MORE** ice cream! **MORE** HYPE! **MORE** Night Strike... wait, uh, well. It's the same amount of Night Strike, but it's on a much cooler field with **MORE** challenges!

And yes, Middle School Camp has **MORE** gatherings, meaning **MORE** time for spiritual growth!

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CAMP WEST MAP




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