

# CAMP

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### *Entire Bible*

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## FAMILY CAMP GUIDE

### WEEK 1

Family CAMP devotions are a way to come together as a family and interact with God's Word. We will go through the entire Bible together this summer! Don't miss the opportunity to CAMP with your family each week using this simple family devotion guide.

#### **How do we CAMP as a family?**

**C**ome together  
**A**ccess God's Word  
**M**ake conversation  
**P**ray



#### **C: Come Together**

Come together and remove distractions. Prepare your heart and mind to hear from God's Word together today by looking at some pictures of amazing things in creation. For example, the Grand Canyon, the ocean, various animals, etc. Discuss this question as a family: What do you think is one of the most amazing things God created? Why? Let's see what God says about His creation in today's scripture.

#### **A: Access God's Word**

Access God's Word by reading today's Bible passage together and the daily devotion aloud.

**Open your Bible and read aloud Genesis 1:1-2, 26-27, 31 and Psalm 139:13-14.**

#### **You are God's Creation**

God created the entire world from nothing. Everything we see and everything we are, He alone created. Have you ever thought about how the same God that created the oceans, the mountains, the Grand Canyon, every plant, every animal from absolutely nothing also chose to design and create you? You were created on purpose for a purpose! Before anything was made, God thought about you and planned everything about you. You are a part of God's plan.



God created you to have a relationship with Him and show the world His great love through your life. But Adam and Eve, the first two people God made, chose themselves and disobedience over God. Because of that, sin entered the world. That sin separated us from God. There was nothing humans could do on our own to fix that broken relationship that sin caused. This story may seem sad, but it is actually the beginning of a beautiful love story written by God.



The Bible, God's Word, tells us this true story of His great love for the people He created. God didn't have to, but He chose to make a rescue plan so that we did not have to be separated from Him forever. God sent His Son, Jesus, to pay the price for our sin and defeat sin once and for all. When we trust Jesus as our Rescuer and allow Him to guide our life, we are no longer separated from our Creator God! When we choose to trust God with our life, He will be with us now and we can live with Him forever!

God created a lot of things, but never forget that you are God's most precious creation! You are important to God and you were created in His image. He knows you, loves you, and designed every single thing about you! When we put our life back in the hands of our Creator, we can truly be who God created us to be and do all that God created us to do! You were created by God to know Him, love Him, live with Him, and glorify Him with your life!

So the next time the world around you makes you feel small, not important, or not good enough, remember that is simply not true! Why? Because GOD- your Creator- says so!

### **M: Make Conversation**

Make conversation around today's Bible passage and devotion by asking the questions provided. The goal of this time is to discover together the truths from God's Word and the daily devotion. Think of ways that you and your family can put this truth into action.

1. Who created the world and everything in it? (God) What did God create the world from? (Nothing! He spoke and it came to be.)
2. What is God's most precious creation? (You and I)
3. How can I know that I am important to God? (The Bible tells us of God's rescue plan to make a way for us to have a relationship with Him. We matter to God.) How does it make you feel to know that you are important to God?
4. Why did God create you and me? (We were created by God to know Him, love Him, live with Him, and glorify Him with our lives.)
5. How can we show the world God's great love for us? (Treating others the way God would treat them, show the fruits of the spirit- see Galatians 5:22-23.)



### P: Pray

Guide your family through a prayer to end your time together.

**Praise God** for all that He has created!

**Thank God** for His rescue plan through Jesus that made a way for us to have a relationship with Him.

**Confess sin** that is in your life. (Sin is anything we think, anything we say, or anything we do that hurts the heart of God).

**Ask God to help you** remember your purpose every day: to know Him, love Him, live with Him, and glorify Him.

**Ask God to help others** understand that He is the Creator of all things as they live in and enjoy all He has made.

### Family CAMP Activities

1. Go on a nature walk or hike with your family. You can turn it into a scavenger hunt by having everyone look for a certain list of things. As you discover things in nature, have conversations about how God designed all of creation- including us!
2. Create thumbprint/fingerprint art. This can be fun for all ages! Use washable markers or a stamp pad and put each person's thumb/finger prints on their own piece of paper. Use different color markers or pens to turn your thumbprints into an animal, person, etc. As you are having this art time together, talk about how everyone's thumbprint is different and that God took time to design special fingerprints for you that no one else on earth has! Write out Genesis 1:27 on the paper with your art and place it somewhere for the family to see as a reminder.
3. Create various things with play dough or clay. Talk about how we can use these things to create something, but God is so amazing and so powerful that He created EVERYTHING we see from NOTHING! We are thankful that God is GREAT and that He created us in His image!

