

CAMP

THROUGH THE

Entire Bible

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FAMILY CAMP GUIDE

WEEK 5

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?

Come together
Access God's Word
Make conversation
Pray



C: Come Together

Come Come together and remove distractions. Prepare your heart and mind to hear from God's Word together today by doing the following activity.

Floating Ping Pong Ball

Materials Needed:

Hair dryer
Ping pong ball
Scissors

Directions:

Demonstrate how the ping pong ball cannot stay in the air by itself no matter how much it wants to or how much it may try. Next, turn on the hair dryer underneath the ping pong ball, which will cause it to stay in the air. Even as you rotate the hair dryer slightly the ping pong ball stays airborne!

This is a great reminder that, just like this ping pong ball, we cannot do anything apart from God or in our own strength. God has the strength to keep us lifted up! Today we will read more about how we can trust God alone to be our strength and our refuge.

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 Proverbs 30:5.

God's Word is Truth and Strength for Life

As Christians, we believe that the Bible, God's Word, is true. It is perfect in all of its ways as it tells us who God is and what He has done for us. We believe that He has given it to us for all kinds of purposes such as teaching us, correcting us, showing us what is wrong in our lives, and training us on how to do the right things. God Word prepares us and equips us to walk in God's way like nothing else can! (see 2 Timothy 3:16-17). One of the purposes of God's Word is to give us strength. This week's verse says that "he is a shield to those who take refuge in him." God provides protection and safety for those who love Him and trust Him. We can trust God because He is faithful! He will always keep His promises and do what He has said He will do! Just like our verse today says, every word He has given us is true! Strength that comes from any place other than God will fail at some point. But His strength stays. His strength lasts. God's Word is true and we can trust Him!

As God's children, we are promised that He will provide and be our strength in our everyday lives, but this does not mean things will always be perfect. Because we live in a world broken by sin, we will still have times where we are tired, times that are hard, and times that are sad. But this verse reminds us that even when those times come, we can have hope! We can go to God's Word to remind us of who He is and all that He has said He will do for us and in us! God loved us so much that He made a way by giving His Son, Jesus, to pay the price for our sin (John 3:16)! We can trust that He has a perfect plan for us even when the bad situations and struggles come our way. God is our refuge, our safe place to go. Because of that, we can have rest and peace in our bodies and minds no matter what is happening around us!

God's Word and God's presence are our strength in all things. God is who He says He is and He will always do what He says He will do! Let's choose to remember and be thankful for this truth in both the good and hard times in our lives.

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 truth God has provided through His Word and reinforced in the devotion. Think of ways that you can put this truth into action.

1. According to Proverbs 30:5, what does God promise us about His Word? (It is always true.)
2. Based on Proverbs 30:5 and today's devotion, what does God's Word give us? (His strength and His presence. Safety, protection.)
3. Why can we have safety, protection, and strength through God's Word? (Because everything that God has said He is and says He will do in the Bible is true. So we can trust the truth and wisdom in God's Word to guide us in all things.)
4. We need strength in all areas of our lives. Discuss some areas in our lives that we need God's Word to give us strength.



5. Since God's Word is strength and we need strength everyday, how can we grow stronger? (By reading the Bible everyday and knowing what it says. By memorizing God's Word so we can apply it to our life and situations where we need to be reminded of the hope and truth found in God alone.)

P: Pray

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



Praise God that He gave us the wonderful gift of His Word- the Bible.

Thank God that He gave us God's Word so that we can know Jesus and all that God has done for us.

Confess any things that you are believing that are not true according to God's Word.

Ask God to help you spend more time with Him by reading the Bible and praying (talking and listening to God).

Ask God to help others have access to the wonderful truth of the Bible no matter who they are or where they are in the world.

Family CAMP Activities

1. Draw or print out the outline of a shield. Inside the shield, write words, draw pictures, etc. to represent the promises of God. You can make this as simple or creative as you like! Place this somewhere the family can see it regularly as a reminder! You can even add to it as time goes on.
2. Have a friendly family strength contest! Do things such as push-ups, sit-ups, jump rope, holding an object out in front of you the longest, etc. Talk about how our strength will always fade and then fail at some point. But God never fails and His strength never ends! We can trust in Him!

