

Summer Camp Sunday Devotional

Day 1: The Revelation of God

Reading: Colossians 1:15-20

Devotional:

In these verses, Paul paints a grand picture of Christ's supremacy and divinity. Jesus is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. Everything was created through Him and for Him, and He holds all things together. This revelation reminds us that in Christ, God's fullness dwells. This magnificent view of Jesus reveals His authority and centrality in all things, encouraging us to revere and seek Him in every aspect of life.

Application:

Today, **reflect** on the awesomeness of Christ as described in these verses.

Consider your perception of Jesus—does it align with this display of His majesty?

Spend time in prayer, asking God to give you a deeper understanding of His nature.

Day 2: Faith in Jesus

Reading: John 3:16-18

Devotional:

This familiar passage encapsulates the essence of the Gospel: God's love for the world is demonstrated in Jesus' sacrificial offering. Through faith in Him, we are not judged but given eternal life. Believing in Jesus is not just acknowledging His existence but entrusting our lives into His hands. Faith is the doorway to experiencing the fullness of life that God intends for us.

Application:

Reflect on your faith journey. What does believing in Jesus mean to you personally? **Consider** areas of your life where you need to exercise more faith, and pray for strength to trust God more deeply.

Day 3: From Death to Life

Reading: Ephesians 2:4-5

Devotional:

In these verses, Paul speaks of the profound transformation that occurs when we believe in Christ. We move from spiritual death to life through God's mercy and love. This shift is a testament to God's grace, emphasizing that our new life is a gift, not something earned. Understanding this shift is crucial for living in response to His love and grace.

Application:

Reflect on your own transformation. In what ways has your life changed since you came to know Christ? **Pray** for those in your life who haven't yet experienced this change.

Day 4: The Essence of the Christian Life

Reading: Colossians 3:1-4

Devotional:

Paul calls believers to set their hearts and minds on things above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God. The essence of the Christian life is to seek and focus on heavenly matters, recognizing that our true identity is hidden with Christ in God. As new creations, we are encouraged to live with an eternal perspective, highlighting the transformation that salvation brings.

Application:

Spend some time in reflection, focusing specifically on things above. How can you align your daily actions with the eternal perspective Paul speaks of? **Create a list** of practical changes you can implement to direct your thoughts and actions toward Christ-centered living.

Day 5: New Creation in Christ

Reading: 2 Corinthians 5:17

Devotional:

Becoming a new creation means that the old has gone and the new has come. In Christ, we are no longer defined by past mistakes or failures. Our identity is rooted in Him, allowing us to live with freedom and purpose. This transformation is ongoing as we grow in our relationship with Jesus.

Application:

Reflect on what being a new creation means to you. Identify areas in your life where you still feel bound by the past, and invite God to bring his healing and transformation to those areas. **Consider** how you can live more fully as a new creation, embodying the changes God has worked in you, and look for ways to share this message of hope with others.