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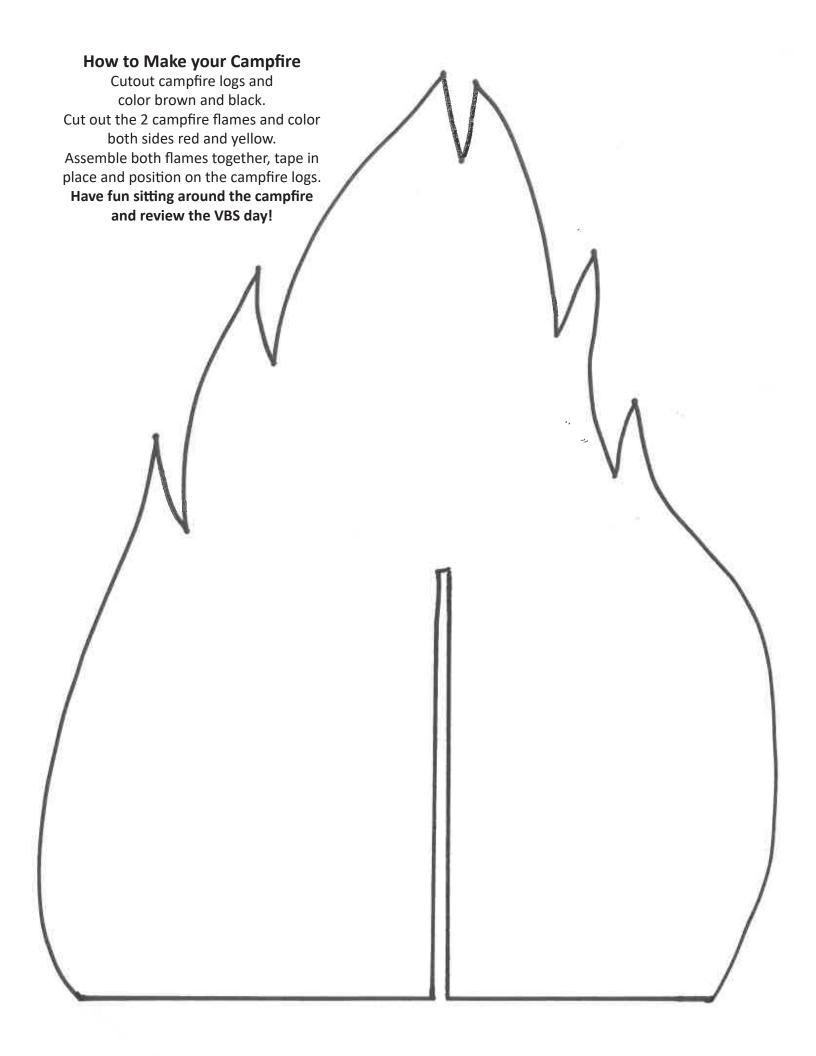


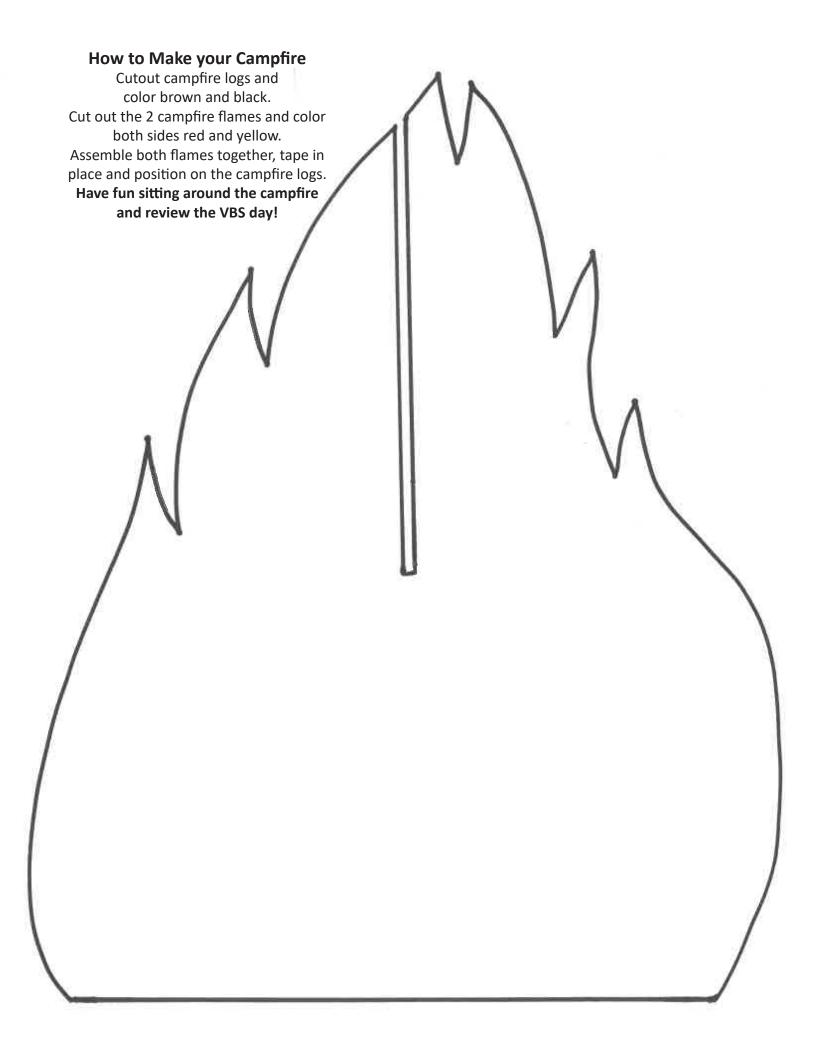
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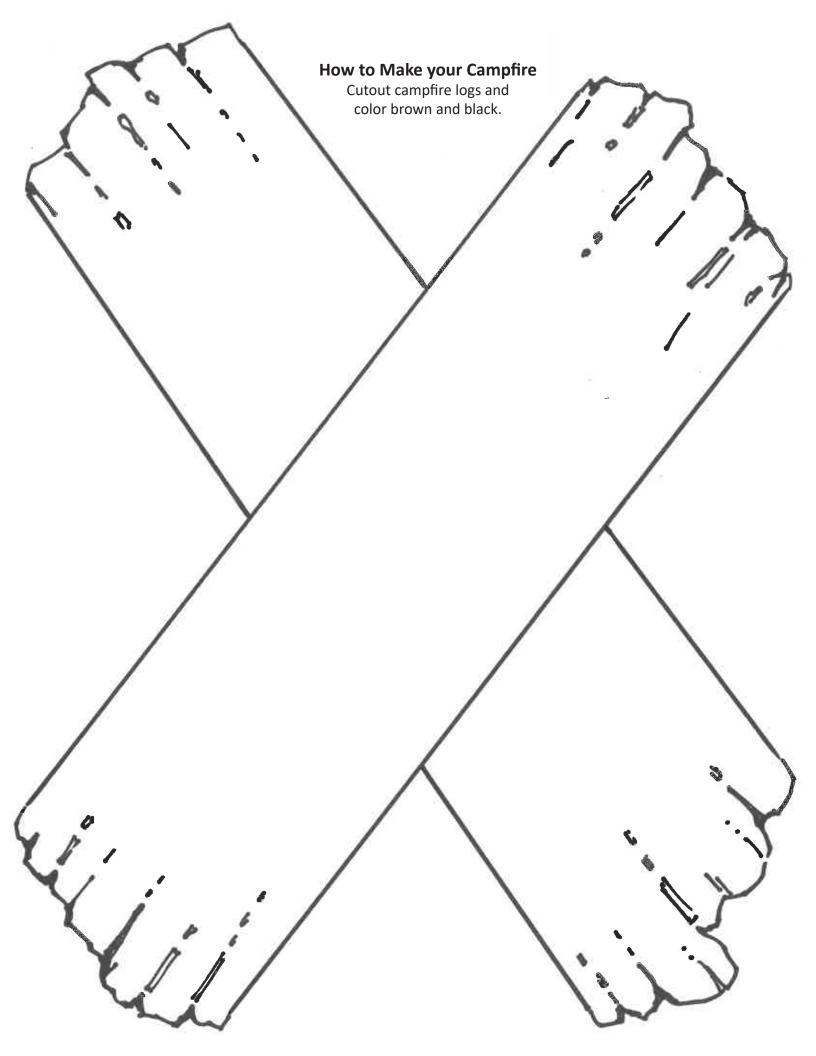
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Example of Finished Campfire Craft







Monday Campfire Conversations

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VBS MEMORY VERSE REVIEW

"Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience." Colossians 3:12

What 2 virtues did we learned about today? *Compassion and kindness.*

BIBLE STORY REVIEW

What Bible story did we look at today? *The Good Samaritan.*

Where is the Good Samaritan found in the Bible?

Luke 10:25-37- Let's get out our Bibles and read about the Good Samaritan.

Who showed the love of Christ to the man in need? The Samaritan man.

Who else walked by the man in need but did not stop and help?

The priest and Levite—men dedicated to serving God—neglected to help the man in need.

What can we learn about Compassion and kindness from the good Samaritan?

When Jesus was asked, "Who is my neighbor?" Jesus responded with a parable. Jesus' story about the Good Samaritan surprised the people who heard it. The story tells of a priest and Levite, men who were dedicated to serving God, neglecting to help the man in need. By showing compassion and kindness, the Samaritan (whom Jews considered a social outcast) proved to be a neighbor to the man in need. Jesus told the lawyer, "Go and do the same." Jesus did not directly answer the question, "Who is my neighbor?" The lawyer was seeking to justify himself, to meet the minimum requirements of the Old Testament law with the hope of gaining eternal life. Rather, Jesus taught that we should love without limits and demonstrate love with action.

In this parable, we see the beauty of the gospel. Like the good Samaritan, God saw that we needed to be rescued. We were dead in our sin and unable to help ourselves. God showed His love when He sent His Son, Jesus, to save us from sin. Jesus came to us and provided salvation, forgiveness, and everything we need. God calls us to show His love for the world by showing compassion, kindness and love as He has loved us.

GOOD SAMARITAN KEY VERSE REVIEW

Luke 10:27 "Love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your strength and with all your mind;" and 'Love your neighbor as your self."

TODAY'S SHOUT OUT

Jesus loves you! Put on compassion and kindness!

LIFE APPLICATION

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How are you showing compassion and kindness by contributing to FNMK?



Monday Campfire Conversations

Where did our VBS travels take us to today?

Uganda

Which flag belongs to Uganda? First flag on the left.

Who did we meet in Uganda? *Beverly Rich.*

How does she show compassion and kindness?

By sharing the gospel, teaching and mentoring in the villages in Uganda.

Meet our Missionary in Uganda

Beverly Rich, The Bridge Calvary Chapel (Located in Jinja, Uganda)



Jess (a California boy) and Beverly (a true Texas girl) met in 1988 and married in 1991. In 1996, Jess was given the opportunity to attend the School of Ministry at Calvary Albuquerque. On completion of the school, the students participated in an international missions outreach in Jinja, Uganda. While there, Jess and Bev were given the opportunity to share the gospel of Christ in the local prisons. Through obvious acts of the Lord, they were able to leave their jobs and home and move to Uganda to serve under the leadership of Pastor Jay and Sunny McLaughlin, the founders of the original Calvary Chapel Jinja. They arrived in February 1998.

Ministry Description:

In 2003 Jess took over the leadership of the original Calvary Chapel Jinja (recently renamed The Bridge Calvary Chapel in Jinja) by serving as the Senior Pastor and heading up and teaching at the Jinja church's School of Ministry. Our dear brother Jesse Rich went home to be with the Lord December 18, 2014. Jesse's wish was that his remains would stay in Uganda, and more than a thousand people came for his memorial from all areas where he served.

In addition to Beverly's daily responsibilities which include teaching at the women's ministries in the prisons, the villages, and The Bridge Calvary Chapel, she also trains and mentors the women on the Called Christians/The Bridge Calvary Chapel staff and helps lead them to maturity in the Word so they can become women of God. Her leadership and continuing devotion to the Lord's work and the people of Uganda during this time of transition shows love for the people of Africa and dedication to the work that Jesse and Bev invested their lives into.

Tuesday Campfire Conversations

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VBS MEMORY VERSE REVIEW

"Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience." Colossians 3:12

What virtue did we learn about today? *Humility.*

BIBLE STORY REVIEW

What Bible story did we look at today?

Jesus Washing the Disciples Feet.

Where is the story of Jesus washing the disciples feet found in the Bible?

John 13:1-20 - Let's get out our Bibles and read about Jesus washing the disciples feet.

How did Peter respond to Jesus?

He didn't understand why Jesus would want to wash his feet or what it meant.

Did Jesus set an example for his disciples?

"Now that I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also should wash one another's feet. 15 I have set you an example that you should do as I have done for you." John 13:14

What can we learn about humility from Jesus washing the disciples feet?

Jesus knew it was time for Him to die. He sat down with His disciples for the Passover meal and did something very unusual. Jesus washed His disciples' feet. This humble act was usually reserved for a servant. The foot washing symbolized a spiritual cleansing. The disciples were already positionally "clean" before God (see John 13:10) but even redeemed people still sin and need daily cleansing. (See 1 John 1:9.) In this, Jesus also set forth an example of love and humility for His disciples to mirror in their own actions toward one another. (John 13:15)

Washing someone's feet was something only a servant would do. This was considered very unusual for Jesus to stop the meal and wash his disciples feet. Jesus showed that he was the servant of all servants and showed how we should act too. As they ate the Passover meal, Jesus broke bread and gave it to His disciples. He shared the cup with them too, explaining that the bread and cup represented His body and blood. Jesus established a new covenant. In the Old Testament, God made a covenant, or promise, with His people. He gave them commandments to follow so they could live in right relationship with Him. But God's people broke the covenant. They didn't obey God, and they didn't love Him. By dying on the cross, Jesus brought forgiveness and made the way for people to know and love God again.

JESUS WASHING THE DISCIPLES FEET KEY VERSE

John 13:16 "I tell you the truth, no servant is greater than his master, nor is a messenger greater than the one who sent him."

REVIEW TODAY'S SHOUT OUT

Jesus loves you! Put on humility!

LIFE APPLICATION

What are ways that we can have a humble heart?



Tuesday Campfire Conversations

Where did our VBS travels take us to today? England.

Which flag belongs to England? Second flag from the left.

Who did we meet in England?

Doug and Lisa Keen

How does their ministry show humility?

By sharing the love of Christ and teaching others how to be disciples of Christ with a heart of compassion and with the humility of Christ.

Meet our Missionaries in England

Doug & Lisa Keen, Calvary Chapel Hastings



Team Background:

Doug became a Christian at Calvary Albuquerque in 1993 and attended the School of Ministry in 1995, where he met Lisa, who was born in Seoul, South Korea, and became a Christian in 1975. They were married in 1998, and from the beginning of their relationship, the Lord put missions and pastoral ministry on their hearts. After doing short-term missions for a few years, they moved to Harrogate, England, in 2000, where Doug served as assistant pastor of Calvary Chapel Harrogate and Lisa served in children's ministry and on the worship team. In 2004, they moved to York, England, where Doug served as the Dean of Men at the Calvary Chapel Bible College in York and Lisa served in children's ministry and on the worship team. In 2006, they

Ministry Description:

The Keens' passion is to see people saved and made into mature disciples of Jesus Christ, who said, "Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations" (Matthew 28:19). The vision of Calvary Chapel Hastings is threefold: upreach (knowing God), inreach (growing as disciples), and outreach (going to the lost).

England is a post-Christian, postmodern nation. It is rapidly distancing itself from its Christian roots, and it desperately needs healthy churches with diligent leaders and strong Bible teaching. They do this at Calvary Chapel Hastings by teaching verse by verse through books of the Bible, meeting with individual church members for one-on-one discipleship, encouraging the development and use of the spiritual gifts of the church body, recognizing and training those with leadership potential, and worshiping God in song and in service. In 2015, after nine years of meeting in rented community centers, the Lord blessed Calvary Chapel Hastings with their own church building.

Wednesday Campfire Conversations

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VBS MEMORY VERSE REVIEW

"Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience." Colossians 3:12

What virtue did we learned about today? *Gentleness.*

BIBLE STORY REVIEW

What Bible story did we look at today? *The little children and Jesus.*

Where is the The Little children and Jesus found in the Bible?

Mark 10:13-16 - Let's get out our Bibles and read about Jesus and the little children.

How was Jesus gentle with the children?

He was gentle with the children, he would not let them get pushed away.

What did Jesus tell His disciples about letting the children come to him.

"Let the little children come to me. Don't stop them, because the kingdom of God belongs to such as these."

What did Jesus do when the children were with him?

He blessed them and cited them as examples of citizens of the kingdom of God.

What can we learn about the gentle nature of Jesus from this Bible story?

The Gospels present endearing images of Jesus welcoming children. Children were brought to Jesus that He might lay hands on them and pray for them (Matt. 19:13-15). But the disciples rebuked the people. Jesus does important things and doesn't have time for this, the disciples must have thought. Children aren't important!

When Jesus saw the children being pushed away, He was indignant and became angry. Then Jesus spoke against anyone hindering the children from coming to Him. Unlike the disciples, Jesus thought it was important to welcome children. He blessed them and cited them as examples of citizens of the kingdom of God.

On another occasion, the disciples of Jesus argued among themselves about who was the greatest in the kingdom (Matt. 18:1-5; Mark 9:33-37; Luke 9:46-48). Once again, Jesus pointed to children to teach the adults. A person must humble himself like a child.

JESUS LOVES THE LITTLE CHILDREN KEY VERSE

Mark 10:14b (Jesus said) "Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of God belongs to such as these."

TODAY'S SHOUT OUT

Jesus loves you! Put on gentleness!

LIFE APPLICATION

What can you be gentle with family and friends?



Wednesday Campfire Conversations

Where did our VBS travels take us to today? *The Philippines*.

Which flag belongs to the Philippines? *The flag hanging in the Center.*

Who did we meet in Uganda?

Lorraine and Celestino Lamar.

How do they show gentleness?

By showing compassion, kindness, humility all with gentleness to the children at the orphanage.

Meet our Missionaries in the Philippines

Lorraine & Celestino Lamar Faith, Hope & Love Kids Ranch The Philippines



Team Background:

In 2004, the Faith, Hope & Love Kids Ranch Inc. was established by the Lamar family to give abandoned, abused, neglected, and orphaned children a second chance at life.

The Kids Ranch is the result of caring more than others think is wise, risking more than others think is safe, dreaming more than others think is practical, and expecting more than others think is possible.

Ministry Description:

Faith, Hope & Love Kids Ranch Inc. is a Christian organization that trains children to have faith in the Word of God with the hope of receiving new life.

Ministry Description: The facility is a family-based center, providing children with a home until they have the qualifications needed to integrate into society. They teach the children spiritual, moral, and ethical values, providing a Christian education, health and dental care, and the basic providing the necessities such as food, clothing, and shelter.

The F is for faith.

Without faith, it is impossible to please God. Our relationship with God is our greatest priority. Our mission is to equip the children for service and growth toward spiritual maturity.

The H is for hope.

There is hope in the midst of poverty, abuse, neglect, and depression. Hope can lead them to find purpose in life. They can experience hope as part of a family that loves and cares for them.

The L is for love.

Love never fails and is the greatest of all. We share the love of God with those who have never experienced it, and when they grow up in a Christian environment, they are able to pass on to others what they have experienced, paying forward what the Faith, Hope & Love Kids Ranch has done for them!

Thursday Campfire Conversations

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VBS MEMORY VERSE REVIEW

"Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience." Colossians 3:12

What virtue did we learn about today? *Patience.*

BIBLE STORY REVIEW

What Bible story did we look at today?

Death of Lazarus.

Where is the story of Lazarus found in the Bible?

John 11:1-44 - Let's get out our Bibles and read about Lazarus.

How many days was Lazarus dead before Jesus raised him from the dead? *Four days.*

What can we learn about patience from this story of Jesus raising Lazarus from the dead?

Jesus' timing is always perfect, and He acts or doesn't act so that God will be glorified.

Throughout the Bible, there are stories of Jesus healing people, physically and spiritually. He would use each of these healings as a way to glorify God and those that saw them were encouraged in their faith. Jesus will return one day and eliminate sickness and suffering forever.

Jesus received word that His friend Lazarus was sick. Mary and Martha sent a message to Jesus that their brother was sick and they wanted Jesus to heal him. They expecting Him to come right away. Do you think that would be hard to be patient at a time like that?

Jesus loved Mary, Martha, and Lazarus; yet He stayed where He was, and Lazarus died. They didn't understand why Jesus would do such a thing? Raising Lazarus from the dead showed that Jesus' timing is always perfect, and He acts or doesn't act so that God His Father will be glorified.

By the time Jesus arrived in Bethany, Lazarus had been in the tomb for four days. Martha went to meet Jesus. She said to Him, "Lord, if You had been here, my brother wouldn't have died." Jesus had shown His power to heal people who were sick. Even still, she believed He could do a miracle.

When Jesus raised Lazarus from the dead, He showed that He has power over death. Jesus died on the cross for our sin and rose from the dead. He gives eternal life to those who trust in Him. The raising of Lazarus teaches us another lesson though. When God seems to be doing nothing, He may be doing more than you could ever imagine. Jesus had declared that Lazarus' sickness was for the glory of God. ... He used Lazarus' situation to bring the utmost glory to His father. Knowing that God has a perfect plan for our lives helps us to be patient because His timing is perfect.

LAZARUS IS RISEN KEY VERSE

The Lord is not slow in keeping his promise, as some understand slowness. Instead he is patient with you, not wanting anyone to perish, but everyone to come to repentance.

2 Peter 3:9

TODAY'S SHOUT OUT

Jesus loves you! Put on patience!

LIFE APPLICATION

How can you be patient family and friends?



Thursday Campfire Conversations

Where did our VBS travels take us to today? *Mexico*.

Which flag belongs to Uganda? Fourth from the left.

Who did we meet in Mexico?

Bill and Renee Martin

How does their ministry show patience?

They started their ministry in 1999 and is still flourishing today. They are trusting in God, and have the patience and trust in Him and the plans for their lives.

Meet our Missionaries in Mexico

Bill & Renee Martin, Calvary Chapel Puerto Vallarta



Team Background:

A Christian since 1979, Bill Martin received a Bible degree and worked on the mission field for two years before returning to the States for additional education as an airplane mechanic. He then moved to Santa Fe, where he met and married Renee at Calvary Chapel Santa Fe. They served in a variety of ministries there, including the worship team, children's ministry, and as kinship leaders. After five years of marriage and three children, they were called to the mission field in Puerto Vallarta, Mexico, where they have been serving the Lord ever since.

Ministry Description:

The Martins have served in Puerto Vallarta since 1999 and have seen the Lord do amazing things in the lives of the people there. Through the years, they have been privileged to work with impoverished children at Calvary Chapel Mission School. The body of Calvary Chapel volunteers three times each week to teach these children English, Bible, reading, and math, and to encourage them to continue their education. The church also reaches out to the poor in the community through street evangelism, various mini festivals, dramas, and one-on-one evangelism, as well as through food and gift distribution. They have a coffee bar and bookstore in the church, which draws in folks off the street to come in and, hopefully, invite Jesus into their lives as personal Lord and Savior. The Martins' ultimate goal is to make disciples of the Lord Jesus Christ and train them to have a heart to lead others to the Lord through the teaching of God's Word.

Friday Campfire Conversations

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REVIEW VBS MEMORY VERSE REVIEW

"Therefore, as God's chosen people, holy and dearly loved, clothe yourselves with compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness and patience." Colossians 3:12

What 2 virtues did we learned about today? *Forgiveness and love.*

REVIEW BIBLE STORY REVIEW

What Bible story did we look at today?

Jesus dies for our sins John 19-20.

Where is that found in the Bible?

John 19-20- Let's get out our Bibles and read about the death and resurrection of Jesus.

How did Jesus show us his love and forgiveness?

He forgave us for our sins and became our savior by dying on the cross.

Have you received His forgiveness and love and found the hope we have in knowing He is our savior? Review the HIStory book that is in your VBS packet. It shares the salvation message.

Jesus forgives us and loves us so much that he died on the cross for our sins and makes our hearts whole when we ask him to come into our hearts. Have you asked Jesus to come into your heart? It's a simple prayer where you are just talking to God and its as easy as your ABC's, Admit, Believe and Confess. Lord God, I admit that I am a sinner. I believe that you are sent your son Jesus to die on the cross from my sins. I confess with my mouth that I am a sinner and commit my life to following you! Amen. If you prayed that prayer, welcome to God's family! Let us know you made a decision to follow Christ on our Facebook group.

THE GOSPEL KEY VERSE

For God so loved the world that he gave his one and only Son, that whoever believes in him shall not perish but have eternal life. John 3:16

TODAY'S SHOUT OUT

Jesus loves you! Put on forgiveness and love!

LIFE APPLICATION

What can you show love and forgiveness to your family and friends?



Friday Campfire Conversations

Where did our VBS travels take us to today?

The Czech Republic

Which flag belongs to Uganda? *The first flag on the right.*

Who did we meet in the Czech Republic?

The Pardos

How does their ministry show love?

As they go out into the community and meet unbelieving people, they share the love of Christ by getting involved in their live and building relationships.

Meet our Missionaries in the Czech Republic

Servy and Maria Pardo, Czech Republic



Servy and Maria Pardo develop relationships with their community through local events and a partnership with a local church. Their purpose is to grow trust with and demonstrate faith to a post-Christian society. Their priority is relationships: first to the Creator, then within their family, and then to the world around them.

Servy and Maria have served at Calvary Church for over twenty years. They married in 2004 and are parents to three children. Their family of five and two dogs are living on mission in Prague, Czech Republic.