



**At-A-Glance: Camp Venture
Prophets & Promises Part 1: Acts - Revelation
Unit 5, Lesson 27**

Letters About Perseverance

Lesson Aim: To know that keeping our focus on Jesus will strengthen us to never give up.

THE WELCOME – CAMP GAMES

CAMP GAMES: Race to the Cross

THE WORSHIP – AT THE CAMPFIRE

THE SPIRIT WHO GUIDES US

Today, we worship the Spirit who guides us to keep following Jesus. The Holy Spirit can help us keep our thoughts focused on Jesus everywhere, every day. He can help us to never give up.

As we sing, pray, and give our offering, let's ask the Holy Spirit to help us keep our thoughts on Jesus, His love for us, our friendship with Him, who God is, and what He has done for us all. Sing: "Open the Eyes of My Heart" while collecting the offering.

Read Matthew 6:31-33.

Sing songs and worship God. Bless and collect the offering.

Perform Bible Barn script or read storybook. Recite Camper's Code.

THE WORD & THE WAY – TENT TIME

NEW TESTAMENT LETTERS

Camp Covenant.

Welcome to Tent Time! Last time in our mailbag, we found letters about peace. We learned God can give us peace of mind even when our problems don't go away.

Counselor holds up mailbag. **Today in our mailbag, we have letters from the New Testament that encourage us to persevere in following Jesus. That means to never give up in following Him. It is wonderful to follow Jesus, but it is not always easy. It means choosing every day to do things His way instead of your own way. The writer of the letter to the Hebrews knew believers would need encouragement to keep following Jesus. The letter explains that following Jesus is similar to finishing a race.**

If you brought your Bible, open it now and share with others. Hand out spare Bibles. Counselor removes the Bible from the mailbag, opens it, and removes the list of today's New Testament letter scripture references: Hebrews 12:1-3; Philippians 3:12-16.

Before we read, let's stand and ask God to open our eyes, ears, hearts, and minds to His Word today. Who would like to pray that for us? Camper prays aloud. **Be seated. Let's read our first letter about focusing on Jesus.** Read Hebrews 12:1-3.

In his letter to the Philippians, Paul also compared following Jesus to a race. Let's check it out! Read Philippians 3:12-16.

PARABLE PAL

During Tent Time, we open our mailbag to see if our Pen Pal will give us a clue about what today's New Testament letters have to do with our lives. Read the Pen Pal letter.

SHARE A PRAYER

Requests and the Lord's Prayer

FINAL FIVE MINUTES

- **NEW TESTAMENT POSTCARD:** New Testament Postcard about perseverance, stamp or sticker of eyes (or glasses or binoculars)
- **CHALLENGE:** DAILY WAY OR W³
- **LETTERS FROM CAMP**
- **BIBLE MEMORY VERSE SONG**

GOT TIME?

SNACK: Focus Food Snack

GAMES: Break Free!, New Testament Line

DISCUSSION: More Letters About Perseverance

CRAFT: Care Package—Gold Medal Followers

BIBLE MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITIES: Ask, Seek, Knock!; Race to Repeat