

At-A-Glance: Camp Venture Prophets & Promises Part 1: Acts - Revelation Unit 6, Lesson 30

Letters to the Seven Churches

Lesson Aim: To know Jesus cares about our ongoing relationship with Him. (Salvation Message)

THE WELCOME – CAMP GAMES

CAMP GAMES: Speedy Delivery

THE WORSHIP – AT THE CAMPFIRE

THE SPIRIT WHO SHOWS US

We worship the Holy Spirit who shows us what will happen one day in heaven. Jesus told John to write letters to the seven churches. Today, we will hear about some rewards Jesus promised in those letters to believers who stay faithful to Him. Let's thank Jesus for those rewards by giving our offering. Sing: "Awesome God" while collecting the offering.

The greatest reward in all of heaven is to be close with God. Read Revelation 3:20.

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

Lead children in the ABC Prayer (or a similar prayer of salvation).

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 using the armor of God to help us be strong in the Lord.

Counselor holds up the mailbag. Today, our mailbag letters are from the last book in the Bible. The book of Revelation tells us what will happen in heaven. Jesus told John exactly what to write in his letters to seven different churches. The churches were in Smyrna, Sardis, Philadelphia, Ephesus, Pergamum, Thyatira, and Laodicea. In the letters, Jesus gave the churches encouragements, warnings, and the promise of rewards in heaven. **If you brought your Bible, open it now and share with others.** Hand out spare Bibles. Remove Bible from the mailbag, open, and remove list of New Testament letter scripture references: Revelation 3:14-16, 19-22.

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 the first part of the letter to the church in Laodicea. Listen for the warning from Jesus. Read Revelation 3:14-16, 19.

Lukewarm water is neither cold nor hot. What do you think Jesus means when He talks about being lukewarm in our deeds? The word lukewarm is used here to describe someone who is unexcited or uninterested. To be lukewarm in our deeds means we are not excited or interested in serving the Lord. Jesus wants us to be strong in our actions and work hard for His kingdom instead of being lukewarm or believing but not really caring.

Remember that Jesus was writing this to people who went to church in Laodicea. In most churches, there are some who believe and follow Jesus as well as some who have not yet decided to follow Him. Now, let's read about the promise Jesus makes to those who want to be closer to Him. Read Revelation 3:20-22.

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 the letters to the seven churches, stamp or sticker of a church
- CHALLENGE: DAILY WAY OR W³
- LETTERS FROM CAMP
- BIBLE MEMORY VERSE SONG

GOT TIME?

SNACK: Loud Crunchers **GAMES:** What's That Sound?, Letters to the Seven Churches, New

Testament Line

DISCUSSION: The Son of Man

CRAFT: Care Package—Letters to Churches

BIBLE MEMORY VERSE ACTIVITIES: Light My Path, Next Book, Pass the Word!