### **Mid-Atlantic Gospel Camp**

### Week 3: Where Are You?—Without Hope in the World

Dear saints, let us use the third week of the Gospel Camp in the following manner:

- \* During the Mid-week gathering in the week of June 15-19, we want to reinforce what has been covered in weeks 1-2 and re-familiarize the young people with the story of Noah from Genesis chapter 6. In particular, we will show that the ark is a type of Christ and that even the details concerns the ark's construction are full of significance. In particular, we want to cover the significance of the ark being pitched within and without as a type of redemption and what that means for our experience of salvation. Most importantly, we want to give the young people the desire to be saved within the ark.
- \* During the Message 3 on Saturday, June 20, we will introduce the concept of the world as a system set up by Satan to capture, enslave, and occupy mankind. In the world, we have no hope and are without God. Using the story of Noah, we will show how Satan uses the world to keep man away from God with both sin and wickedness as well as the necessities of life. We want to leave the young people with the general thought that the influence of the world is powerful and that just as God judged the world at Noah's time, He will also judge the world again. We will follow this negative background with the gospel—that we can enter into Christ as our "ark" to be saved from God's judgment by believing into Christ and being baptized.

#### Burden

The burden for this week is that the world and Satan's use of the world to corrupt and usurp man are exposed, that we would see that we are living in a time just like the days of Noah, and that the young people would be saved from the world and from God's coming judgment by believing into and entering into Christ as the ark and by seeing the significance of baptism and making the choice to be baptized.

## Reading materials

The reading material for family time comes from the Life Study of Ephesians. It also would be good prior to the ministry reading to review weeks 1-2 and to review the story of Noah from Genesis 6.

Do not feel that you have to finish the entire passage. Follow the Lord's leading and emphasize the part that resonates most with the family.

### Songs

We plan to sing three songs for Message 3:

- "I once was dead, dead in my sins" (https://www.hymnal.net/en/hymn/ns/82).
- "Dearest Lord you've called us here." (<a href="https://www.hymnal.net/en/hymn/ns/97">https://www.hymnal.net/en/hymn/ns/97</a>).
- "I've given up the world." (https://www.hymnal.net/en/hymn/ns/224).

# Key verses

Ephesians 2:12; John 12:31; 1 John 5:19; Genesis 6:5-6, 11-14; Matthew 24:37-39a; 1 Corinthians 1:30a; Mark 16:16.