

Names of God

Huddle 20 – Judge of the Whole Earth



SETTING THE ATMOSPHERE

As children arrive, collect the “In” slips from parents and see which grade they are in for their huddle teams. Remember to check all slips to make sure children are to be in Up & Out this hour.

Team Time

Each team leader (student leader) should spend time getting a conversation started within the team to find out more about each child. Spend time today discussing the following questions up front...

Huddle Teams

- 1st & 2nd grade girls
- 1st & 2nd grade boys
- 3rd & 4th grade girls
- 3rd & 4th grade boys

- What are some of the names of God we’ve learned so far? (Father, Messiah, Helper, El Kana – Jealous God, Jehovah Jireh – The Lord Provides)
- What is your favorite name of God and why?
- Read the following verses: Isaiah 33:22, Psalm 75:7 and Romans 2:16
- Those verses all refer to God as our Judge. What do you think a judge does?

Opening Prayer

Leader prays for the group.

LESSON HUDDLE

Let’s all come over together and get started this morning. Good morning, Up & Out! Where we look up (pause for the group to respond) **TO GOD** and look out (Pause) **TO OTHERS**.

In your small groups, you read 3 verses. Those verses all talked about God being our – what? Yes, our Judge. God is the Judge of the Whole Earth – that’s our name of God this week. Judge of the Whole Earth.

What do you think it means to be a judge? (*allow responses*) A judge is someone who is thought of as wise – he knows about the law and what is right. A judge decides whether a person did something wrong and what the punishment will be. The judge says what will happen and his answer is final.

Our God is not only our Judge but he is also El Elyon – the Most High. He is greater than anyone or anything. So, when we say that our God is the Judge, he is the Most High Judge –

over all people and all things. Someday, Jesus will come back again, and God will do His judging. The Judge of the Whole Earth will sit on a great white throne and “God will judge us for everything we do, including every secret thing, whether good or bad.” (Ecclesiastes 12:14) Nothing you have ever done will be forgotten or missed. El Roi, the God Who Sees, knows it all.

We should all be judged guilty – because we have all sinned against God and deserve punishment forever. That is the most frightening, awful thing to think about. BUT if we trust Jesus as our Savior, he has paid for our sin against God.

Romans 8:1-2 says “So now there is no condemnation for those who belong to Christ Jesus. And because you belong to him, the power of the life-giving Spirit has freed you from the power of sin that leads to death.”

Instead of the punishment we deserve, there will be great rejoicing for what Jesus has done. Let’s pray and thank God for what He has done for us through Jesus and the power He has given us over sin.

Huddle Up, Pray, & Break

ACTIVITY: Flag Tag or American Football Futbol

Flag Tag:

Materials:

- Flag football flags or bandanas (enough for each child to have 2 flags)
- Boundary markers

Directions:

Each child wears one flag on each hip. They try to steal other people’s flags while trying to keep theirs safe. Kids cannot hold onto their flags. Once both of your flags have been removed, you are out. Kids take a seat in the playing field where their last flag was taken and may attempt to take others flags while seated. Last man standing wins.

American Football Futbol:

Materials:

- Football
- Cones to create goals

Directions:

Played just like soccer with 2 alterations.

1. You play with a football.
2. There are no goalies.



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