



# CHURCH GROUP GATHERING GUIDE

## WHAT IS CHURCH GROUP GATHERING?

Church Group Gathering is a time after Worship to connect with your group how you feel is best. We believe this time as one large group is vital to debrief and have some fun with your kids! They can digest what the Lord is teaching them and share about their experiences with other kids and leaders, who will continue speaking into their lives.

We want to serve you in any way we can. If you need anything to make your Church Group Gathering time happen, please do not hesitate to ask!

*Our prayer is that your Church Group Gathering is a time for your group to grow closer together and to Jesus, and that the truth of God's Word settles in your hearts after a long, full day at camp.*

## CHURCH GROUP GATHERING IDEAS

Church Group Gathering works best when you are able to tailor it specifically for your group. Because of that, we do not provide any formal curriculum. We won't leave you hanging though! Here are some ideas.

**Pro Tip //** Whether you use some of these ideas or do your own thing, come to Church Group Gathering with a plan!

### TIME OF SHARING

Let kids talk about their camp or life experience. Ask — What was your favorite part of the day? What is one thing you learned today?

### CHALLENGE FROM KIDS MINISTER

Use this distraction free time to personally challenge or encourage your kids.

### LATE NIGHT SNACKS

There's something special about breaking bread together... even if it's cookies. (Please keep your meeting space clean!)

### LETTERS FROM HOME

Give parents a chance to write a note before camp and share them with kids during this time.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

Church Group Gathering is a time for you and your kids to be in the same place with minimal distractions, so it's the perfect time to share specific announcements for your group, go over the schedule for the next day, or remind kids of travel logistics on the last night of camp.

**Pro Tip //** Save announcements for the end of your Church Group Gathering!

**Pro Tip //** Connect with Student Life Kids Camp Staff! Ask one or more of our staff to share their heart and stories with your group.



## DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

Looking for some ways to help guide discussion? Here are some questions that are based on the daily Bible Study and paired with a quick review of the Big Truth and Memory Verse of the day. Use these in conjunction with some of the ideas above to help get the most out of your Church Group Gathering. Again, these are just tools to equip you, if needed. Feel free to use this time however you feel will best fit your group!

### NIGHT 1 – THE EPIC CHOICE

**BIG TRUTH //** Every day we get to make the epic choice of being faithful to God- even small decisions to be faithful are epic choices. We can be faithful because God is faithful!

#### Motions:

<b>We Can</b>	Open Arms
<b>Be Faithful</b>	Drop Arms & Stand Straight Up
<b>Because God</b>	Point Up and Look Up
<b>Is Faithful!</b>	Wrap Yourself In a Hug

**MEMORY VERSE – LUKE 16:10 //** “Whoever is faithful in very little is also faithful in much and whoever is unrighteous in very little is also unrighteous in much.”

#### DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- What was Daniel determined not to do?
- Who were the other characters in the story? (Answers: Chief Eunuch, Guard, Hananiah, Mishael, Azariah, The King)
- What did you learn from today’s Bible study about Daniel and his determination?
- How can you stand up for what you believe in your own life?



*(\*\*Keep in mind, The After Party will start at 9:00 PM in the Worship Room)*

## NIGHT 2 – THE EPIC RESCUE

**BIG TRUTH //** Just like God made the epic move to rescue Daniel from the lions’ den, God made the EPIC move to rescue us from our sin by sending Jesus to die in our place. God’s epic rescue changes everything for us!

### Motions:

<b>God’s</b>	Point and Look Up
<b>EPIC</b>	Spread Arms Out with Excitement
<b>Rescue</b>	Step Back with Arms Straight Infront
<b>Changes Everything</b>	Spin Around
<b>For Us</b>	Point At Yourself

**MEMORY VERSE – Daniel 6:22 //** — “My God sent his angel and shut the lions’ mouths; and they haven’t harmed me, for I was found innocent before him. And also before you, Your Majesty, I have not done harm.”

### DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- How many times a day did Daniel pray and give thanks to God?
- Why did Daniel get thrown into the Lions’ den?
- How did the King respond to realizing he had to throw Daniel into the Lion’s den?
- Who was going to rescue Daniel?
- Have you ever been in a similar situation to Daniel where doing what was right left you in a difficult place? How did you respond?

**Pro Tip #1//** This is a great night for you as their leader to share your personal salvation story with your kids all in one place.

**Pro Tip #2//** Remind your kids of the IMB offering happening tomorrow. Pray for the country of Chile and for God to do an amazing work through the offering.

**Pro Tip #3//** GET EXCITED FOR THE AFTER PARTY! Once you’ve closed your time in prayer, pump your kids up for what’s next!



## NIGHT 3 – THE EPIC STAND

**BIG TRUTH //** When we take an epic stand, Jesus stands with us. Standing up for what we believe can feel lonely and scary, but, thankfully, we are never truly alone. Jesus is always by our side.

### Motions:

<b>Standing up</b>	Stand Up from a Sitting Position
<b>For what we believe</b>	Point to Head and then Heart
<b>Can feel lonely and Scary</b>	Cover Your Eyes
<b>But thankfully</b>	Place Hands Together
<b>We are never truly alone</b>	Shake head and cross arms in an “X”
<b>Jesus is always</b>	Middle Finger Touch Palm on One Hand and Then the Other
<b>By our side</b>	Side Hug Your Neighbor

**MEMORY VERSE – Daniel 3:18 //** “But even if he does not rescue us, we want you as king to know that we will not serve your gods or worship the gold statue you set up.”

### DISCUSSION QUESTIONS

- Spend time reviewing the Big Truths and Memory Verses from the previous two days.
- What happened to Shadrach, Meshach, and Abednego?
- How did the King respond to these three men coming out of the fire without even a hair singed? What does this tell us about the faith of these men?
- How can you take an EPIC stand in your life that points to your faith in God?

**Pro Tip //** Night 3 is the last night of camp, so it’s the perfect time for you to personally challenge your kids to take an EPIC stand about their faith in Jesus!