

Names of God

Huddle 5: *Jehovah El Emeth – The Lord God of Truth*



SETTING THE ATMOSPHERE

As children arrive, collect the “In” slips 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 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 names of God have we learned so far? What do each of them mean? (*El Elyon – Most High God, Elohim – Strong Creator, Jehovah/Yahweh – I Am, El Shaddai – God Almighty*)
- What do you think it means that God is the “Most High God”? (*God is greater than anyone or anything. He is the most perfect, most powerful, most creative, most wise, most kind, most good, most faithful, most wonderful, etc*)
- Read Numbers 23:19. What does this verse tell us about God?
- Student Leaders – play the 2 truths and a lie with your Huddle Team. Depending on the size of your group and time constraints, you may only pick one or two students to make the statements. It would be good for you to go first and set the example. How to play: The person selected makes 3 statements about themselves – 2 truths and 1 lie. The other people in the group raise their hands to see if they can guess which statement is the lie.

Opening Prayer

Leader prays for the group.

***Lesson Set Up:** You should have several pairs of real vs fake items laid out but covered up before you begin the lesson. Examples: real fruit/fake fruit; real money/monopoly money; real flower/fake flower; real book/fake book (If you have 2 things that are difficult to tell apart, that would be great – you can use this as an opportunity to talk about knowing God and His word better so that it is easier to pick out the truth/real against the fake/lie)

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**.

POP QUIZ! Does anyone remember our Up and Out verse? Can anyone recite it for us? (Matthew 22:37-39. "Jesus replied, You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, all your soul and all your mind. This is the first and greatest commandment. A second is equally important. Love your neighbor as yourself.") *Recite it together if no one can do it on their own.*

What is the last name of God that we learned? (*El Elyon*) Who can tell me what El Elyon means? (*allow responses*). It means that God is the Most High God. He is greater than anyone or anything.

Okay, I am going to hold up 2 items and I would like for you to raise your hand if you can tell me which one of the items I'm holding is real. (*Hold up one pair at a time and allow students to pick.*) Great job guys!

This week we are learning another name of God. It is Jehovah – El Emeth. This means the Lord God of Truth. What is truth? (*allow responses*) Truth is what is real (*refer back to one of the real items you had*).

Truth is what is right. Truth doesn't change and stays consistent. So, if what is real is true, then what is unreal is false. God always speaks the truth. He never lies or gives us direction that is wrong.

God is Jehovah – El Emeth, the Lord God of Truth. Every word He speaks is the truth, and He does everything that He says He will do. Proverbs 30:5 tells us that, "Every word of God proves true..."

How can we know what is true? (*allow responses*) There is one truth and that is God's truth found in the Bible. The more we read and learn what is in the Bible, the more we know of truth and how to know what is true and what is not. Just like how you knew what was real and what was fake, we need to know what is true in life and what is not. There are a lot of lies in our world and it is important for us to know the difference. We can always go to God, Jehovah – El Emeth, the Lord God of Truth and to His Word, to know truth.

This week your challenge is to study truth. Get to know God and His Word this week in a new way. Maybe pray more often. Read the Bible. Ask your parents to help you find places in the Bible where God talks about truth.

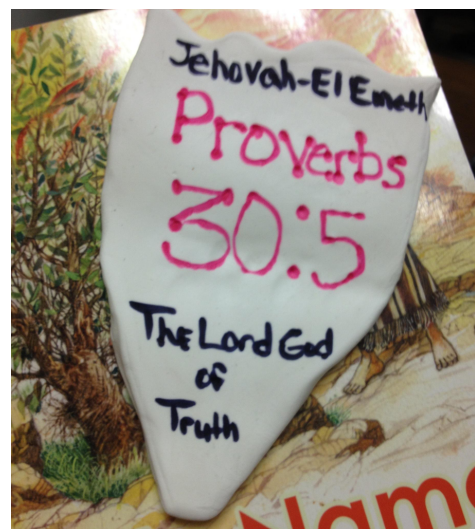
Huddle Up, Pray, & Break

ACTIVITY: Shield Craft

Materials:

- Air Dry Clay
- Plastic knives for cutting and forming clay
- Letter Stamps

The air-dry clay can be used by the students to form a shield and stamp in or carve in Proverbs 30:5 and decorate the shield.



Proverbs 30:5 – “Every word of God proves true. He is a shield to all who come to him for protection.”



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