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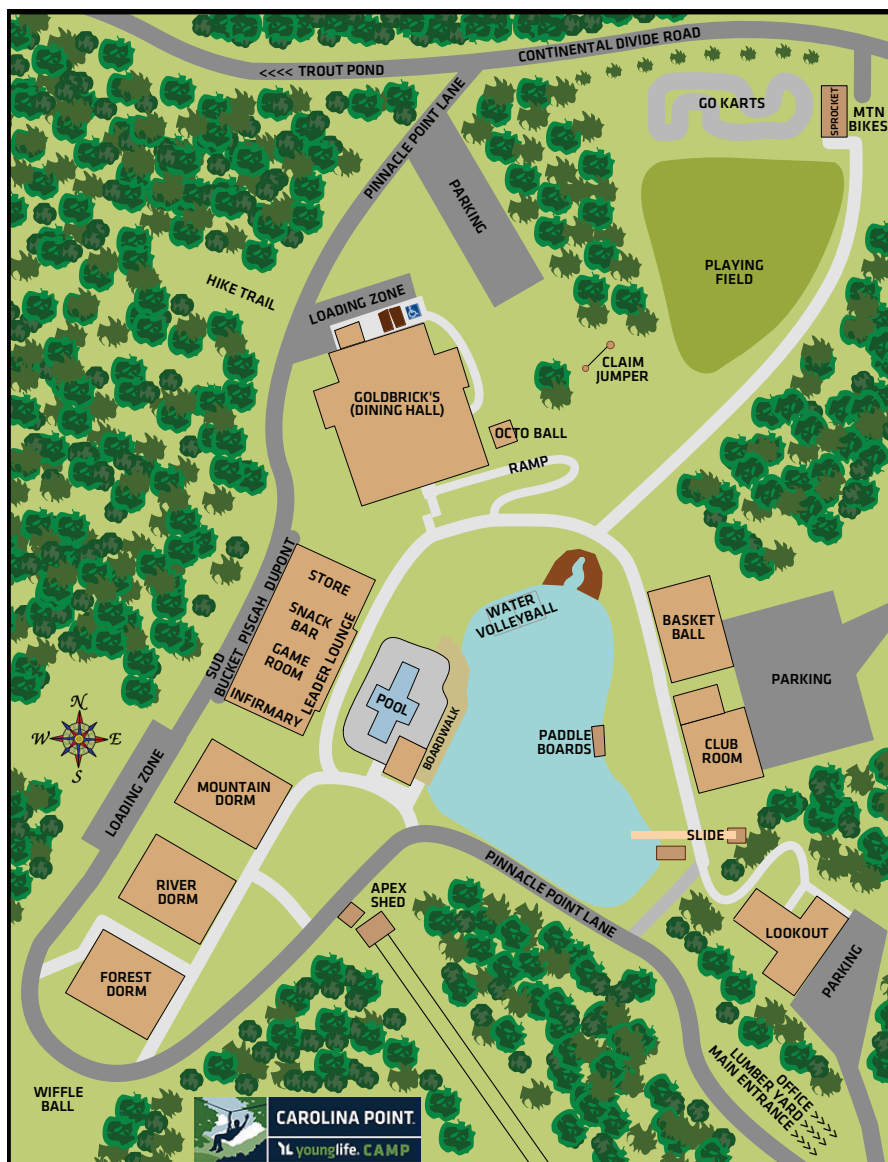


Name

Campus



Map of Carolina Point



Rules

1. Do everything your leader asks you to do. They are in charge this weekend.
2. Be responsible, respectful, and ridiculously fun.
3. Never leave camp.
4. Disconnect from all electronics for the weekend.
5. Be on time for everything.
6. Never leave a meal until you are dismissed.
7. Be a blessing to Carolina Point, and leave it better than when we found it.
8. Don't lose your booklets.
9. Don't jump off your bunk onto a mattress, no wrestling competitions, etc.
10. No purple, pink, or whatever color you call a girl and a guy alone.

Session 1 Notes



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Saturday Solitude Time

This morning, you will spend time reading through the two passages below. Once you are done reading, there are a few discussion questions to help you reflect on what is being said. The goal for this morning is to prepare your heart for the sessions today and for the teaching you are going to hear.

JEREMIAH 17:5-10

This is what the Lord says:

“Cursed are those who put their trust in mere humans,
who rely on human strength
and turn their hearts away from the Lord.

They are like stunted shrubs in the desert,
with no hope for the future.

They will live in the barren wilderness,
in an uninhabited salty land.

“But blessed are those who trust in the Lord
and have made the Lord their hope and confidence.

They are like trees planted along a riverbank,
with roots that reach deep into the water.

Such trees are not bothered by the heat
or worried by long months of drought.

Their leaves stay green,
and they never stop producing fruit.

“The human heart is the most deceitful of all things,
and desperately wicked.

Who really knows how bad it is?

But I, the Lord, search all hearts
and examine secret motives.

I give all people their due rewards,
according to what their actions deserve.”

REFLECT

1. Is it hard for you to know what is truth vs what is a result of your feelings?

2. When is it hard for you to trust the Lord? What are areas of your life that you want to be in control of?

ROMANS 10:1-4

Dear brothers and sisters, the longing of my heart and my prayer to God is for the people of Israel to be saved. I know what enthusiasm they have for God, but it is misdirected zeal. For they don't understand God's way of making people right with himself. Refusing to accept God's way, they cling to their own way of getting right with God by trying to keep the law. For Christ has already accomplished the purpose for which the law was given. As a result, all who believe in him are made right with God.

REFLECT

1. What do you think it means to be “made right with” God?

2. Do you trust that God’s grace is enough to make you right before him?
Or do you rely on your own efforts to try and earn your way to him?

Session 2 Notes



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Session 2 Notes



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Sunday Solitude Time

This morning, you will spend time reading Romans 12 and then end in a time of personal reflection and prayer. As you read through the passage, be challenged by this way of living. You have listened to a lot of heavy teaching this weekend, calling you to stand firm in God's truth, not the half-truths of this world. As you finish reading the passage, take time to ask the Lord for strength to live differently from the world. The way that this passage is calling you to live is not going to be easy, but it is the way to true life, freedom, and happiness.

ROMANS 12

And so, dear brothers and sisters, I plead with you to give your bodies to God because of all he has done for you. Let them be a living and holy sacrifice—the kind he will find acceptable. This is truly the way to worship him. Don't copy the behavior and customs of this world, but let God transform you into a new person by changing the way you think. Then you will learn to know God's will for you, which is good and pleasing and perfect.

Because of the privilege and authority God has given me, I give each of you this warning: Don't think you are better than you really are. Be honest in your evaluation of yourselves, measuring yourselves by the faith God has given us. Just as our bodies have many parts and each part has a special function, so it is with Christ's body. We are many parts of one body, and we all belong to each other.

In his grace, God has given us different gifts for doing certain things well. So if God has given you the ability to prophesy, speak out with as much faith as God has given you. If your gift is serving others, serve them well. If you are a teacher, teach well. If your gift is to encourage others, be encouraging. If it is giving, give generously. If God has given you leadership ability, take the responsibility seriously. And if you have a gift for showing kindness to others, do it gladly.

Don't just pretend to love others. Really love them. Hate what is wrong. Hold tightly to what is good. Love each other with genuine affection, and take delight in honoring each other. Never be lazy, but work hard and serve the Lord enthusiastically. Rejoice in our confident hope. Be patient in trouble, and keep on praying. When God's people are in need, be ready to help them. Always be eager to practice hospitality.

Bless those who persecute you. Don't curse them; pray that God will bless them. Be happy with those who are happy, and weep with those who weep. Live in harmony with each other. Don't be too proud to enjoy the company of ordinary people. And don't think you know it all!

Never pay back evil with more evil. Do things in such a way that everyone can see you are honorable. Do all that you can to live in peace with everyone. Dear friends, never take revenge. Leave that to the righteous anger of God.

For the Scriptures say,

"I will take revenge;

I will pay them back,"

says the Lord.

Instead,

"If your enemies are hungry, feed them.

If they are thirsty, give them something to drink.

In doing this, you will heap

burning coals of shame on their heads."

Don't let evil conquer you, but conquer evil by doing good.

REFLECT

1. Has there been anything over the weekend that you need to ask the Lord for strength for? Maybe it's something you confessed to and need the Lord's strength to begin moving away from that sin. Maybe it's a conversation you need to have that you are anxious about and need the Lord to give you courage. Write out a list of what comes to mind and spend a few minutes praying that the Lord gives you strength to move on those things.

2. Think about things confessed or brought up by other people in your small group this weekend. How can you pray for them? Take a minute to pray for the people in your group by name, lifting their needs up to the Lord.

3. What are some ways that the Lord revealed himself to you this weekend? Did you learn anything new about who God is? Spend a few minutes praising the Lord for his goodness, for revealing himself to you, and thanking him for the life change that you experienced this weekend.

Session 4 Notes



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Saturday Night Response Element

1. So far, we have talked about three different “fake gospels”—independence is not as freeing as we think it may be, following all of the rules doesn’t always guarantee immediate blessing, and our feelings are not always trustworthy. Which of these fake gospels do you identify with the most?

2. Where in your life are you searching for happiness? What are you tempted to believe will make your life better or give you value?

3. Is there anything additional that you feel like you need to confess to your leader or small group? Maybe it is something that has been heavy on your heart lately or something that has been brought up in the teaching.

Below, you will find guided prompts to help you spend a moment in prayer. This guide will allow you to speak praise to the Lord, pause for a moment of confession, thank the Lord for who he is in your life, and lift up personal needs or the needs of others to him. Take your time and allow yourself space to write down your thoughts and reflect in prayer.

Dear God,

I praise you because you are...

(Isaiah 25:1 - O Lord, I will honor and praise your name, for you are my God. You do such wonderful things! You planned them long ago, and now you have accomplished them.)

I want to confess to you...

(1 John 1:9 - But if we confess our sins to him, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins and to cleanse us from all wickedness.)

I am thankful for..

(Psalm 107:1 - Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good! His faithful love endures forever.)

I want to pray for...

(Isaiah 30:19 - O people of Zion, who live in Jerusalem, you will weep no more. He will be gracious if you ask for help. He will surely respond to the sound of your cries.)

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