1 Youth Ministry

Grades 7-12



Contact Us

14647 S. 50th Street, Suite 16 Phoenix, Arizona 85044 480-584-6116

Links

Email
Website
Facebook
Instagram
Previous Lessons

Bible Verse

Proverbs 12:15

The way of fools seems right to them, but the wise listen to advice.

Life Skills Class

Our Wednesday night Youth Life Skills dasses with Tom are back!

Come out for fun, fellowship and maybe even a little learning about topics important to you.

7:00pm every Wednesday night only at LWA! Living Word Ahwatukee 1 Youth Update for the week of 10/11/15



Greetings!

This week, we started by talking about looking at the story of Noah from a fresh perspective. Through that new perspective we began looking at how dramatically God chose to deal with the effects of a world consumed with sin, and how His grace shines through in the end. We discussed that God used two important visuals to reaffirm His covenants, a rainbow and bread and wine.

In **Genesis 6:9-22**, we saw that Noah was a just man, perfect and righteous before God. The earth was corrupt and full of evil and violence and God declared that He would destroy all of the people of earth. He instructed Noah to make an ark, and instructed what he was to bring inside of the ark.

We notice first that because of the choice Adam and Eve made to disobey God, sin entered the entire world. Even though the world chose wickedness, Noah and his sons chose to have a close relationship with God.

We also first heard the idea of a covenant mentioned in verse 18. We discussed that the covenant was a binding promise God made to Noah, one that could not be changed. He promised that He would not destroy Noah or his family.

In **Genesis 7:11-24**, we saw that the great flood came and God directed Noah and his family into the ark. The waters remained on the earth for one hundred and fifty days.

We discussed what Noah would have been thinking during all of that time when all he could see was water all around. Also, even though things might have looked hopeless for Noah and his family, his close relationship with God would have helped him believe in the covenant God made with him.

In Genesis 8:13-19, we saw that after more than a year on the ark Noah finally sees land and the reality set in that Noah and his family were the only people left. They all got off of the boat and the animals are set free to start again. We discussed how important it must have been for Noah to trust God and the covenant that he made with him.

In **Genesis 9:8-17**, we discussed how God wanted Noah to remember the promise He made, so He used the word covenant around seven times in these verses. The reason He did that was to reaffirm His commitment to Noah.

We also noticed that not only did God use the word over and over, but He also followed it up with a sign in the sky. The rainbow was created as a visual promise of God's grace and love for each of us. He did not want His people to ever forget that He does not break promises.

In Matthew 26: 26-29, we see Jesus talking about His own body being broken and His blood being spilled to confirm the covenant between God and His people. This is the second visual that God used as a reminder of a covenant. The visual used by Jesus was a literal breaking of bread in half to show how His body would be broken and wine to symbolize His blood that would be spilled on behalf of the people.

Jesus was telling His disciples in verse 28 that His death would confirm once and for all that God hasn't forgotten about His people. That He promised to be there with us and to restore a relationship with God. His death would be the ushering in of a new covenant between God and people.

We finished with a challenge to make an emotional connection to what the covenant that God had made with people through Jesus' death. The challenge was to consider how this forgiveness and opportunity for a relationship with God affects how you live your life. The challenge continued to approach every day with the mindset of gratitude and wanting to walk closer with God and let that spill into the way you interacted with people because your life may be the only example of Jesus they see.

Join us next time as we look at God's covenant with a man named Abram and what it means to us today.

Upcoming Events

No CPS community service this month. We will

resume next month at their new location.

Harvest Night, THIS SATURDAY! October 24th

The Youth will be selling drinks to raise funds for future activities. We will also host a "selfie photo booth".

Please make sure you are signed-up in the Youth Room for a time you can help run either of the booths or setup or clean-up.



Winter Jam 2015 Promo

Winter Jam - Nov 6th!!!

You Must Get your tickets now! for

Winter Jam 2015 coming on Friday, November 6th. Ten great Christian bands all on one stage. This year we are going VIP. Ticket price is \$30 pre-paid only.

A <u>limited number</u> of group VIP tickets have been purchased and are now available from Chris or Michelle in the youth room for \$30 each (cash or check).

Concert is Friday, November 6th. We will be leaving LWA by 3:30pm as a group.

Our VIP tickets get us early admission for the best seats as well as a Q&A session with the artists & more!

Follow <u>THIS LINK</u> for a list of artists performing.

FX15-BeU Youth Conference!

Prepare yourself for the biggest most exciting FREE Youth Conference ever!

November 12th through November 14th at Living Word in Mesa

Lots of fun activities for Junior High and High School students with amazing guest speakers and performers each day. Invite all of your friends!

More details:

Date: Thursday, November 12th

Time: 7pm - 9/9:30pm

Speakers Panel: David White, Pastor Boogie Perez, Jerome

Parker & Warren Stewart Entertainment: Rap Skit

Objective: Panel of (4-6) speakers on stage for Q&A session

Date: Friday, November 13th Time: 7pm - 10/11pm Speaker: **Tommy Hunter**

Entertainment: Tiger's Lair, MMA Demo Objective: Discussing what it means to BE LOVE

Date: Saturday, November 14th Time: 5pm - 10:30/11pm

Speaker: Pro Skater & Evangelist; Brian Sumner

Entertainment: Trailer w/ Ramps + A Band Objective: Sharing the gospel & skating







Brian Sumner



Check out our **Facebook Page** For more information!

"Glow" Mini Golf

Mark your calendars for a fun night of indoor "glow" mini golf on **Saturday**, **November 21st**. More details to come.

Bible verses referenced in this lesson: Genesis 6:9-22, Genesis 7:11-24, Genesis 8:13-19, Genesis 9:8-17, Matthew 26:26-29

Let us know if you have any questions.

Have a blessed Week,

Chris & Michelle Miller 1 Youth Ministry