

ATTENTION: The following is a requirement agreement for all Falls Creek 2019 Breakout leaders. You will receive more information in coming days, but below is what you agree to as a breakout leader.

As a Falls Creek breakout leader, I agree to:

- Teach from the provided breakout content.
Teaching plans are written or compiled by BGCO youth ministry staff. They all relate basic information that will help guide students to make wise decisions and live out their faith with a Christian worldview. These are very straightforward and will be easy to teach. Yes, you may customize the plan/outline to fit your teaching or presentation style, but please stick to the script. We are strongly encouraging each breakout leader to use a media presentation during their breakout. PowerPoint files for each outline will be available. You may customize the presentation or use it as is. You will receive a link to all teaching content.
- Use the full time given for the breakout and finish on time.
Each breakout lasts an hour. Typically, an hour-long breakout has 35-40 minutes of presentation and 10-15 minutes of Q&A. It is not mandatory to hold everyone for the full hour. However, it is, strongly suggested you finish just before the hour is up to get students out to another breakout. Other breakout leaders and students who plan to attend other breakouts are counting on you to finish in a timely manner.
- Attend a breakout leader training video meeting.
If you cannot join live, you will be required to watch the video archive of the meeting. We will not allow you to teach until you have completed the video and completed all required paperwork.
- Allow BGCO Youth Ministry to run a background check on me.
As a program guest, we must hold a background check on you. This check will include a criminal background check as well as a check of the national sex offender registry. You must agree to the check in order to participate. All logistics will be coordinated through my associate, Sarah Wooten (swooten@bgco.org).
- To complete and submit the required W-9 and Workers Comp Exemption Affidavit as I will be compensated for the breakout.
Complete the attached forms. Compensation is small gesture of gratitude for your willingness to participate in leadership at Falls Creek youth camps. We must have the paperwork in order to provide you payment. Please submit the both forms quickly after receiving the request from our office.

Thanks so much for being willing and open to leading a breakout at camp! I know our students this summer will benefit greatly from your leadership. If you unable to fulfill your responsibility to lead a Falls Creek breakout this summer, please respond quickly, and well in advance of your assigned breakout, so we can fill your slot.

Call (405-657-8094) or email (tsanders@bgco.org) with any questions.

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OLD TESTAMENT PRAYERS FOR NEW TESTAMENT LIVING LEADER GUIDE

1. **Old Testament Prayer: Moses' prayer for Israel // Exodus 32:9-14**

Though the people were rebellious and obstinate, Moses pled for mercy on their behalf.

Timeless Principle for New Testament Living: We should live in forgiveness toward others and ask God to be merciful toward others and us as we struggle with sin.

Moses appealed to God's honor (lest the Egyptians have something to say against God for killing His own people) and to His promises (to Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob). He prayed according to God's character.

Timeless Principle for New Testament Living: We can always rely on God's perfect character.

We can appeal to God on the basis His character and live daily with an assurance of it because it never changes.

Discussion Qs (in groups, report back)

-Why is it sometimes difficult to pray for God to be merciful toward certain people?

-We often think God might respond to us like other authority figures in our lives, but He always responds to us according to His character. Why is this comforting to know?

2. **Old Testament Prayer: Solomon's prayer for wisdom // 1 Kings 3:6-9**

Solomon acknowledges God's kindness in allowing him to rule over Israel. Solomon humbly realizes that he himself has not done great things to deserve this role, but rather that God is showing kindness to him because of God's relationship with David. (vs. 6)

Timeless Principle for New Testament Living: We should live in humble gratitude for any role to which God calls us.

When we think we deserve certain roles and/or are above other roles, we are not then exercising wisdom, but arrogance. When we realize God gives us responsibilities according to His own purposes, we come to accept that every task is important and meaningful. He understands that though he is king, the people he is ruling over are the "people of God," which heightens his responsibility to both God and the people. (v. 9)

Timeless Principle for New Testament Living: One of the first rules of wisdom is to acknowledge that your own wisdom is limited, but God's is not.

Leaders must seek the heart of God and desire to honor God in their interactions and judgments to lead God's people effectively.

Discussion Qs (take answers from large group)

-What is the danger in trusting your own sense of right and wrong versus seeking God's instruction?

3. **Old Testament Prayer: Moses' frustrated prayer for help // Numbers 11:10-15**

Moses realizes he is unable to meet the needs and demands of the people as they wander through the wilderness.

Timeless principle for New Testament Living: Sometimes our prayers reveal more about us than they do about God.

Do you think there are certain things you can handle without calling on God? God often takes us to the end of ourselves to help us realize that "apart from Him you can do nothing." (John 15:5b paraphrase)

Discussion Qs (take answers from large group)

-Why is it important to seek God even in the seemingly small matters of life?



4. Old Testament Prayer: Elijah's prayer for authentication // 1 Kings 18:36-39

Elijah prayed that God would prove to the people that God was indeed God and that Elijah was His prophet.

Timeless principle for New Testament Living: As we live and serve Christ, we need to pray that God would open the eyes of those with whom we seek to share the good news.

It is the power of God that saves, not our many persuasions.

Discussion Qs (discuss in groups and then report back to large group)

- Why is it better for God to reveal Himself to people than for you to be convincingly persuasive?
- Do you think this means we do not need to know how to defend our faith? Why do we need to defend our faith?

5. Old Testament Prayer: Nehemiah's prayer of confession // Nehemiah 1:4-11

While confessing the sins of Israel, Nehemiah includes himself and his family. (vv. 6-7)

Timeless principle for New Testament Living: As we live among a people who do not fear God, nor obey Him, we must not think ourselves guiltless among them.

We are only able to extend mercy to others as we realize we are in need of, and have received, mercy from God ourselves.

Discussion Qs (take answers in large group)

- When someone in a church falls morally, or commits a crime, or willfully sins in some manner, should we see that as a "they have done" issue or a "we have done" issue? Why or why not?

6. Old Testament Prayer: Isaiah's prayer of exultation // Isaiah 12:1-6

Isaiah voices the prayer of the redeemed.

Timeless principle for New Testament Living: If you have been saved, you can live every day with joy.

You can live with joy because:
God's anger has turned away from you (vs. 1)
He has saved you and renewed you (vss. 2-3)
He has placed the message of salvation on your lips (vs.4)
He is with you always! (vs. 6)

Discussion Qs

- How does the message of this prayer challenge you to have a better attitude about life? How can you live with greater joy?

For more:

<https://www.truthaccordingtoscripture.com/documents/prayers/prayers-old-testament.php#.W9HeZLOWwRk>

