



ROYAL RANGERS LEADERS

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Commander's Corner

Dear Commander:

When the old school bell rings the last time for summer vacation, you will discover most of your boys wistfully looking ahead to a summer filled with excitement, fun and adventure. As a Royal Ranger Leader, you have the tremendous opportunity of using the Royal Ranger program to fulfill a boy's dream of many days of outdoor adventure such as camping, hiking, swimming, boating, and exploring.

We have noted that some groups have disbanded for the summer. Perhaps this is due to many of the boys leaving on family vacations. We do not believe, however, this is justification for the program to cease completely for the summer. If it is necessary for indoor meetings to halt, substitute a number of outdoor events to replace them. Perhaps planning a special event for each month, instead of weekly meetings during the summer, would be the answer for groups who have problems with summer attendance. It appears to me that of all other time of the year, the most ideal time to place emphasis on the outdoor phase of Royal Rangers would be during the summer months.

June 18 - 25 is Royal Ranger Week. I'm sure you're planning something real special to call attention to the Royal Ranger program in your church. On page 15 of this issue of "Dispatch" you will find a number of suggestions. Make this a great week for your Royal Rangers!

As you make plans for this quarter, may we encourage you to use the planning guide. We have endeavored to list a variety of ideas so you may have a well-balanced program throughout the year. If you have suggested program ideas, share them with us. Perhaps we can use them in the planning guide.

May God richly bless you in your very important task of challenging and guiding boys.

"READY" in His service,

ROYAL RANGERS DIVISION

Johnnie Barnes
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National Commander

PLANNING GUIDE

SUMMER 1967

MONTHLY THEME	WEEKLY PROGRAM FEATURE	SPECIAL ACTIVITIES	SPECIAL PROJECTS
J U N E LET'S GO ADVENTURING	1. ADVENTURING IN CAMPING 2. ADVENTURING IN THE WILDERNESS (Outdoor lore and survival techniques) 3. ADVENTURING WITH DAD (Royal Ranger Week) 4. ADVENTURING ON THE TRAIL (Hiking and back-packing)	ATTEND CHURCH AS A GROUP IN UNIFORM FATHER-SON CAMP-OUT OR PICNIC	TAKE PHOTOS OF FATHER-SON EVENTS AND OTHER ROYAL-RANGER-WEEK FUNCTIONS AND DISPLAY IN MEETING ROOM
MONTHLY THEME	WEEKLY PROGRAM FEATURE	SPECIAL ACTIVITIES	SPECIAL PROJECTS
J U L Y LIFE IN CAMP ("Adventures in CAMPING" Handbook)	1. CAMP LAYOUT (Making a campsite efficient and comfortable) 2. CAMP COOKING AND SANITATION 3. CAMP ACTIVITIES 4. CAMP SAFETY	EXTENDED CAMP-OUT	MAKE RUSTIC CAMP FURNITURE AND EQUIPMENT ON YOUR CAMPSITE
MONTHLY THEME	WEEKLY PROGRAM FEATURE	SPECIAL ACTIVITIES	SPECIAL PROJECTS
A U G U S T SPLISH AND SPLASH ("Leader's Manual," Pages 83-87 and Pages 129-134)	1. SWIMMING SAFETY 2. SWIMMING TECHNIQUES 3. WATER FUN 4. LIFESAIVING TECHNIQUES	SWIMMING MEET	MAKE LIFESAIVING AND SWIMMING SAFETY EQUIPMENT

DEVOTIONAL GUIDE



A LOOSE ROAD SIGN

*(Submitted by Fred Barber
Pacific Grove, California)*

Purpose: To make the boys aware of the necessity of a consistent Christian testimony.

Fellas, I am sure all of you have gone on vacation with your parents at sometime or another and you have no doubt seen road signs along the highway. Let me tell you about one such sign.

One day a man was traveling in England. He was on his way to London. He came to a crossroad and stopped for a moment to make sure he was going the right way. To his surprise the map said "straight on," but the road sign which stood at the crossroad pointed to the right. A road sign ought to be correct, so the man turned right. But before he had gone very far he began to feel that something was wrong—the sun was in the wrong direction. So he stopped and asked a man who was walking along the road if he was on the road to London. "No," said the man, "you should have gone straight, back there at the crossroad."

"But the sign said turn right," the traveler said.

"Then the sign must be wrong," replied the man.

So the driver turned his car around and went back to the crossroad. Sure enough, the sign was pointing to the right. Getting out to look at it, the driver found that the sign was loose—it turned in any direction the wind blew.

I hope all of us are good road signs. Fellas, boys are looking at you each day to find "the way," and our duty is to show them the right road.

Of course, we alone cannot get them saved. But, we can direct them to the One who can save—Jesus Christ! Fellas, is your life a good road sign or are you like the sign in our example, swayed by every little wind?

OBJECT LESSON: ACORNS AND OAKS

*(Submitted by Jim Logan
Corning, California)*

While out in the mountains last fall I picked up a handful of acorns. During my devotions I gave each boy one of these acorns. As I talked about the mighty oaks, they all knew what I was talking about since many oaks grow in our area of the country. Then I turned to the Bible and read 2 Peter 3:18. I told them how God wants each Ranger to become a spiritual "giant oak."

THE LAZER BEAM

*(Submitted by David G. Coleman
Atwater, California)*

What is a Lazer beam? A Lazer beam is only light—but what a light! It is light that is highly concentrated into a very fine beam. Its uses vary from warfare, to space, to medicine. This beam is so powerful, if aimed at the moon, it would make a spot a half-mile in circumference. Yet this beam is also so delicate, that it can remove cancer tissue from the human body. It is also used as a ray gun.

But what am I driving at by telling you these facts about the Lazer beam? Simply this—that the light which Jesus Christ sheds into this world is very much like that of the Lazer beam.

In John 8:12 Christ states that He is the light of the world. The light that shines from the radiance of Jesus makes a man melt in His presence. That is power! How much more powerful could a light be than one that can take a boy or girl, man or woman, and lift him from the dark, black, bleak regions of this world and bring him into the glorious light of Jesus Christ! Jesus is that powerful light which will someday come back and conquer this world, but right now is that delicate light which can remove the cancer of sin from the human soul.

HE PRAYED FOR SOAP

(Submitted by Ray C. Cook
Seaside, California)

Fellas, tonight I have just an ordinary bar of soap with me and we are going to talk on the use of soap. As you all know, when Mom calls us in from play to clean up for dinner, she expects us to wash up. Well, sometimes, we just wet our hands and then wipe them on the towel. This leaves us with a dirty towel and still our hands are not thoroughly clean. But if we take soap and wash, the soap goes into the pores and gets to the bottom of the dirt and removes it.

So it is with the blood of Jesus. We are all dirty inside as sinners, but when we come to Christ and invite Him into our hearts, His blood washes us clean—and this is very thorough cleansing. It goes into the innermost parts and cleanses us from all our sin, as the Bible says in 1 John 1:9, "If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness."

There was once a little boy named Jackie. He was six years old and a prisoner of the Japanese, along with his whole family during World War II.

He kept asking his mother for some soap to take a shower, but they didn't have any soap and his mother couldn't give him any. Jackie had been asking God for some soap, though, and his mother knew this. She told him she was sure God would answer his prayer. She prayed to God that He would be with her boy during these days in prison and help him keep his faith in God.

That night Jackie prayed as usual for the Americans to come and free them, and for soap for his shower. During the evening a visitor came to their shanty and gave his mother four bars of soap. Mother put them under his pillow and when he awoke the next morning, Jackie shouted for his mother and father. "Look what I found under my pillow! God answered my prayer." Then they all knelt and praised the Lord. Jackie prayed, "Thank you God for your best

gift, Jesus. Thank you, too, for giving me soap for my bath."

You see, fellas, Jackie already had the cleansing on the inside, but he needed the cleansing on the outside and through his persistence in prayer he learned to stand on Matthew 21:22: "And all things, whatsoever ye shall ask in prayer, believing, ye shall receive."

FLAMES THAT CONSUME

(Submitted by Thomas I. Coker
Anniston, Alabama)

Equipment Needed: Several slips of paper with various things we say or do which are displeasing to God written thereon; enough pine cones for each boy attending the service to have one; two containers to hold the slips of paper and pine cones; and a good campfire.
Scripture Reading: Malachi 3:1-3

Have the boys sit down in a circle around the campfire and pass the containers with the pine cones and slips of paper. Let each boy take one pine cone and two or three slips of paper. Have each boy read what is written on his slips and tell if they relate to his life. (This may require some help from the leader.) After all the boys have completed this, have them fold their slips of paper and place them between the burs of the cones. Then ask them all to bow their heads and close their eyes and toss the cones into the fire. While their heads are bowed and their eyes are closed, say a simple prayer which will parallel the service (one or two minutes long). Then ask them to raise their heads and look into the fire and try to identify their cones. (The papers will have been consumed and the cones charred so all will look alike.) At this time you can emphasize that with God all people are equal, and as the fire consumed the paper and the cones, so will His Spirit consume the things that are displeasing to Him, if we will let Him come into our lives.

Conclude with prayer and ask if there is any boy who desires to renew his vows to God or accept Him for the first time.

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WENT TO HEADQUARTERS FIRST

*(Submitted by Merle Calkins
Oceanside, California)*

Rangers, some of you may have been wondering why we believe in taking our sins to God through His son, Jesus Christ, instead of confessing our sins to another person, minister, or priest, as some religions teach. This story about a boy in Ireland will help you understand why we believe as we do.

A little boy in Ireland went to a Protestant meeting and heard the way of salvation plainly taught. He went to the altar and prayed to Jesus and was happily and gloriously saved.

The weeks went by and he was very greatly blessed of the Lord. The "father confessor" heard that these things had taken place, and went to the home of the boy and questioned him as to why he went to those meetings. The boy told him he had gone there and heard about the Great High Priest, and that he had gone to the altar and Christ had forgiven him his sins.

The priest asked him why he didn't come to him, as he could forgive sins. The boy answered, "Where did you get the power to forgive sins?"

The priest answered, "From the Bishop."

"Well," said the boy, "where did he get the power?"

"From the Archbishop," replied the priest.

"Well, where did he get the power?" said the boy.

"From the Cardinal," answered the priest.

"And where did he get the power?" asked the boy.

"From the Pope," replied the priest.

"Oh!" said the boy. "And where did he get it?"

"From Jesus Christ," responded the priest.

"Well," said the lad, "I went to headquarters first."

Fellas, Royal Rangers are like this boy and go right to the top (their Master Ranger) for forgiveness of sins.

RELIGION IS NOT ENOUGH

*(Submitted by Norman Elliott
Denver, Colorado)*

The Indians' Religion: The Indians had no Bible to tell them of the love of God. They believed in a great being and

a happy hunting ground, but this was only a story handed down through the ages. They were faithful to this religion and would do anything they thought the great spirit wanted them to do. They also believed in a medicine bundle that was full of very sacred things.

Do you think their religion took them to heaven? No, for God says in His Word that there is no way unto the Father but by and through the name of Christ. Many people have "religion" today, but there is only one gate and that is through salvation. Religion is not enough; we must be born again, and confess our sins for He is faithful and just to forgive us our sins.

FAT DUCK

*(Submitted by Armand S. Gonzales
Fountain Valley, California)*

During their flight south, a flock of mallards flew down to rest and feed on a small lake. On the approach they flew over a marsh where there were some hunters who fired upon the flock. Some fell dead and the rest flew away, except for one that landed wounded in a thick batch of reeds. Here the wounded duck surely would have died from his injury, but along came a farmer who picked up the mallard, carried him home, and nursed him back to health. The farmer became quite attached to the mallard and decided to clip his wings so he couldn't fly away. The duck got along well—with all the corn he could eat and plenty of water to drink. He probably wondered why he needed to go south with so much right there.

After becoming well, the mallard would take short flights here and there, to the pond, or over the barn. One day, however, he heard a familiar sound and no longer was he content to remain grounded; he felt a longing in his heart to rejoin his old flock. He flapped his wings and off he went. But all he could do was get a few feet off the ground and fly only a short distance before he became exhausted—he was so full of corn.

This mallard is like some Christians, who are so loaded up on the things of this world that when the trumpet blows and they are called to meet Him in the sky, they will only rise a few feet and fall back to earth unable to rise. Luke 12:40.

THE ADULT AND YOUTH

I am some boy's inspiration—I must look well to my source of light.

I am some boy's guide—I must watch my step.

I am some boy's ideal—am I worthy?

I am some boy's instructor—knowledge must lead me aright—I must certainly learn, observe, and serve.

I am some boy's counselor—wisdom must guide me.

I am some boy's health advisor—nature must teach me that I may point the way.

I am some boy's play-director—I must have cheer in my heart, laughter on my lips, sparkle in my eyes, and grace in my step.

I am some boy's disciplinarian—poise, patience, self-restraint, mastery over self must be mine.

I am some boy's spiritual leader—the love of God must light my life.

I am next to parents in some boy's life—Master of Life, lead me by the hand, give me strength and devotion for my sacred task.

—*Author unknown*

IDEAS

For Leaders



GAME IDEAS

BALLOON BASKETBALL

Lay out a designated basketball court in play area. Divide the boys into two teams. A leader will stand in a stationary position at each end of the court with a toothpick in his hands. They are the "goals." After "jumping" for the ball (balloon), the boys on each team endeavor to drive the balloon through the air and burst it on the toothpick at their goal. Each burst balloon counts two points. The basic rules of basketball are followed except the ball (balloon) is kept in the air instead of being bounced on the floor.

CARRY THE MARBLES

(Submitted by R. D. Wheeler
Pico Rivera, California)

Place two marbles on the floor in front of two rows of boys lined up for a relay. Have the boys remove their shoes and socks. The first boy in each line must pick up a marble between his toes and run to a given point and back without dropping the marble. If the marble is dropped, the boy must return to the starting point and begin again. The side with the most round trips in a given time is the winner.

TEST OF GRIP

(Submitted by Eugene Meador
Oklahoma City, Oklahoma)

Let one boy and his opponent face each other standing about twenty-four inches apart, with arms extended upward. They grip a broom handle and pull downward trying to force the handle to turn in his opponent's hands.

BOOK NOOK

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PHYSICAL FITNESS

Outdoor Fitness and Medical Guide by Lawrence Galton is an excellent book which contains valuable tips on physical fitness. Some of the subjects covered are: getting in shape for rugged outdoor activities, a progressive exercise plan, revealing facts about fads and fallacies related to physical fitness, medical facts about nutrition and diets, first aid and medical helps for outdoor emergencies, how to endure heat or cold, survival techniques, and a section on the new "drown-proofing" technique that keeps you afloat for hours. This clothback, fully illustrated book will make a valuable reference book for the Outpost Commander.

Published by *Outdoor Life, Old Forge, Pa.* Price—\$4.50.

NATURE STUDY

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Here is a helpful book packed full of useful information and practical suggestions on out-of-door activities. It contains tips on nature hikes, bird and tree identification, animal trapping, care of animals, tree planting, conservation, basic astronomy, camp equipment from natural material, and many other projects, games, questions and answers. Paperback with 320 pages.

Published by *Dover Publishing Co., N. Y.* Price—\$2.00.

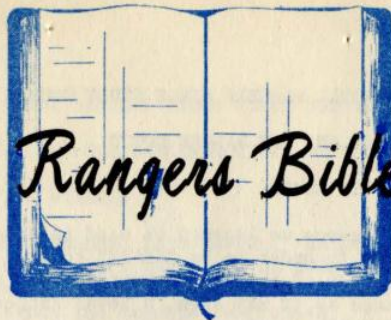
ADVANCED CAMPING

Complete Book on Camping by Leonard Miracle and Maurice Decker.

This book really lives up to its name. It covers every type of camping possible from a simple hike to the most complicated trip. It gives information on every detail involving the different type of camping. This book would be a valuable addition to your library. It is published by *Outdoor Life, 355 Lexington, New York, New York.* Price: \$4.95.

The books listed may also be found in most bookstores and in your local library.

Royal Rangers Bible Study



ROYAL RANGERS BIBLE STUDY COURSE

SUBJECT: THE BIBLE AND THE RANGER MOTTO

LESSON: 5 "READY" TO DIE

As we continue our study of the Royal Ranger Motto, we come face to face with a subject not too pleasant to think about, but which each of us must face sometime. This subject is death. Our motto says a Royal Ranger is "READY" for anything, so as Rangers we need to be "READY" to die. Let us see what the Bible teaches about death and how we can be "READY" for it.

THE BIBLE TELLS US THAT ALL WILL DIE.

Heb. 9:27, "It is _____ unto men once _____,..."

Here the Bible tells us all men, whether great or small, must die. It also tells us something else will happen to everyone after death.

THE BIBLE TELLS US AFTER DEATH WE WILL BE JUDGED.

Heb. 9:27, "...but after this the _____."

We can see from this scripture that we will all die and be called before God to be judged. For many of us it will be a long time until we stand before God, but for some of us it may be tomorrow or even today. Since none of us knows how long we will live, we need to be "READY" at all times. In order to be "READY," the Bible tells us we must do the following:

1. We must repent of our sins. (Be sorry enough not to do them again.) Acts 3:19, "_____ ye therefore, and be converted."
2. We must confess our sins to God. 1 John 1:9, "If we _____ our _____, he is faithful and just _____ us our sins, and to _____ us from all _____."
3. We must believe on the Lord Jesus Christ. John 3:16, "For God so loved the world, that he gave his only begotten Son, that _____ in him should not _____, but have everlasting _____."
4. We must receive Jesus as our Saviour. John 1:12, "But as many as _____ him, to _____ gave he power to become the _____, even to them that _____ on his name."
5. After completing the scriptures above, I know I am "READY" to die and meet God.
6. I am sorry for my sins. Yes _____ No _____
7. I will confess my sins. Yes _____ No _____
8. I believe in Jesus Christ and that He died for me. Yes _____ No _____
9. I have opened my heart's door and received Jesus as my personal Saviour. Yes _____ No _____

ROYAL RANGERS BIBLE STUDY COURSE

SUBJECT: THE BIBLE AND THE RANGER MOTTO

LESSON: 6 "READY" TO LIVE

In last week's lesson we learned we need to accept Jesus Christ as our personal Saviour in order to be "READY" to die. In this lesson we will continue our study of the Ranger Motto. Our subject is "READY" to live. As strange as it may seem, a Royal Ranger is not "READY" to live until he is "READY" to die. It is only as he serves God that he really lives.

Jesus said it this way: John 10:10, "I am come that they might have _____, and that they might have it more _____."

WHAT IS THIS ABUNDANT LIFE?

FIRST, IT IS A LIFE OF JOY.

In an age when so many people are discouraged with life, down in the dumps, and unhappy, it is wonderful to know that Jesus wants to give us a life full of joy.

Complete the following:

1. Isaiah 12:3, "Therefore with _____ shall ye draw water out of the wells of _____."
2. Psalm 16:11, "Thou wilt show me the path of life: in thy presence is fulness of _____; at thy right hand there are _____ for evermore."
3. John 15:11, "These things have I spoken unto you, that my _____ might remain in you, and that _____ might be _____."

SECOND, THIS ABUNDANT LIFE IS A LIFE OF PEACE.

In this age when men are troubled, disturbed, frustrated and fearful, God has promised a life of peace to those who will serve Him.

Complete the following:

4. John 14:27, "_____ I leave with you, my _____ I give unto you; not as the world giveth, give I unto you. Let not your heart be _____, neither let it be _____."
5. Psalm 4:8, "I will both lay me down in _____, and sleep: for thou, Lord, only makest me dwell in _____."
6. Isaiah 26:3, "Thou wilt keep him in _____, whose mind is stayed on thee: because he trusteth in thee."
7. Philippians 4:7, "And the _____ of God, which passeth all _____, shall keep your hearts and minds through Christ Jesus."

One of the sanest, surest, and most generous joys of life comes from being happy over the good fortune of others.

— Archibald Rutledge

ROYAL RANGERS BIBLE STUDY COURSE

SUBJECT: THE BIBLE AND THE RANGER MOTTO

LESSON: 7 "READY" TO WITNESS

Just before Jesus ascended into heaven, He gave one last command. It is this command which forms the basis of today's lesson. If we are to obey this command, then we must be "READY" to witness. Turn with me to the Bible as we study the command to witness.

Draw a line to connect the first half of these scriptures to the last half. Then draw another line from the last half of the verse to the correct scripture reference.

"But ye shall receive power, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be	in the name of the Father, and of the Holy Son, and of the Holy Ghost."	John 20:21
"Then said Jesus to them again, Peace be unto you:	and preach the gospel to every creature."	Matt. 28:19
"And he said unto them, Go ye into all the world,	as my Father hath sent me, even so send I you."	Acts 1:8
"Ge ye therefore, and teach all nations, baptizing them	witnesses unto me both in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost part of the earth."	Mark 16:15

Let us see where, when, and to whom we should witness.

1. We should be "READY" to witness any place. Acts 8:4, they "went _____ preaching the word." Mark 16:15, "Go ye into _____, and preach the gospel."
2. We should be "READY" to witness at any time. 1 Peter 3:15, "Be _____ to give an answer to every man that asketh you."
3. We should be "READY" to witness to everyone. 1 Peter 3:15, "Be ready always to give an answer to _____ that asketh you!"

God has not only given us the command to witness, but He will also give us the power to witness. We read about this power in Acts 1:8. "But _____, after that the Holy Ghost is come upon you: and ye shall be witnesses unto me." With the power of the Holy Spirit to help us, we should be "READY" to witness in any place, at any time, and to anyone. Are you "READY"? If not, why not ask the Lord to help you right now?

I have held many things in my hands, and I have lost them all; but whatever I have placed in God's hands, that I still possess.

— Martin Luther

LESSON: 8 "READY" TO OBEY

Throughout the ages God has looked for men who were willing to obey Him. Whenever God has found men who were willing to obey, He has used them. In the next three lessons we will see how God used men who were willing to obey Him. In this lesson we will study the Bible and see how God used Gideon, who was "READY" to obey, to accomplish the impossible.

Turn to the book of Judges with me and read chapter 7. After you have read the chapter answer the following questions:

1. How large was the army of the Midianites and the Amalekites? Judges 7:12. "And the Midianites and the Amalekites and all the children of the east lay along in the valley _____ for _____; and their camels _____, as the sand by the _____ for _____." A more accurate number is recorded in Judges 8:10, "About _____ men, all that were left...for there fell _____ and _____ men." Add the two numbers together for the total number in the army. The total number of men was _____.
2. How many of Gideon's army went home when they were told they could if they wanted to? Judges 7:3, "and there returned of the people _____ and _____."
3. How many stayed? Judges 7:3, "and there remained _____."
4. Do you think 10,000 men would be too many men to use in fighting against an army of 135,000 men? Yes ___ No ___
5. Did God think there were too many in Gideon's army? Yes ___ No ___
6. How many men did Gideon finally use? Judges 7:7, "And the Lord said unto Gideon, By the _____ that lapped will I save you, and deliver the Midianites into thine hand."

To fight 135,000 men with only 300 men, and win, seemed impossible but Gideon was "READY" to obey God. Let us see what happened to the Midianite army. Read Judges 7:21 - 8:12. (Circle the correct answer)

7. The Midianite army ran, cried, and fled before Gideon's men. T F
8. Two Midianite princes were killed. T F
9. The two kings of Midian, Zebah and Zalmunna, were captured. T F
10. Gideon and his 300 men lost the battle. T F

Though it looked impossible, Gideon and his army of 300 won the victory because they were willing to obey God. You too can have God's help if you will obey Him.

Die when I may, I want it said of me by those who knew me best, that I always plucked a thistle and planted a flower where I thought a flower would grow.

— Abraham Lincoln

ROYAL RANGERS BIBLE STUDY COURSE

SUBJECT: THE BIBLE AND THE RANGER MOTTO

LESSON: 9 "READY" TO OBEY

In last week's lesson we saw how God gave Gideon and his small army victory over the Midianites because Gideon obeyed God. In this lesson let us see what other men were able to do when they obeyed God.

Noah: Read Genesis, chapters 6 and 7.

1. What did God ask Noah to do? (Genesis 6:14) _____
2. Did Noah obey? (Genesis 6:22) _____
3. After Noah had built the ark, what did God ask him to do? Genesis 7:1, "Come _____ and all _____ into the ark."
4. Because Noah was "READY" to obey God, he was able to save his H _____ (family). (Hebrews 11:7)

Naaman: Read 2 Kings 5:1-19.

5. What kind of sickness did Naaman have? (2 Kings 5:1) _____
6. God, through Elisha, told Naaman if he would do a certain thing, he would be healed. What was Naaman to do? 2 Kings 5:10. He was to "go and _____."
7. Did Naaman want to do this? (2 Kings 5:12) _____
8. What did he do? 2 Kings 5:12, "So he _____ and _____ away in a _____."
9. Did Naaman change his mind and wash as God told him? 2 Kings 5:14, "Then he went down, and _____ seven times in _____."
10. Was Naaman healed before or after he obeyed God? (2 Kings 5:14) _____

Philip: Read Acts 8:5-25

11. In obedience to the command given by Jesus in Mark 16:15, Philip "went down to _____, and _____ unto them." Acts 8:5.
12. What were the results of Philip's preaching? Acts 8:6, "And the _____ with one accord _____ unto those things which Philip spake." Acts 8:12, "But when they _____ Philip preaching the things concerning the kingdom of God, and the name of Jesus Christ, they were _____, both _____ and _____."

Noah obeyed God and saved the lives of his family. Naaman obeyed God and was healed. Philip obeyed God and won a city for God. These men are only a few of the men God has used. God still needs men who will obey Him. Are you "READY" to obey Him? If so, bow your head right now and dedicate your life to God.

We ought to do good to others as simply and as naturally as a horse runs, or a bee makes honey, or a vine bears grapes season after season without thinking of the grapes it has borne.

— Marcus Aurelius

ROYAL RANGERS BIBLE STUDY COURSE

SUBJECT: THE BIBLE AND THE RANGER MOTTO

LESSON: 10 "READY"

With this lesson we will end our study of the Bible and the Ranger Motto. In the past lessons we have seen how Paul, Joshua, Caleb, Daniel, Gideon, Noah, Naaman, and Philip were "READY." So let us now turn our attention to the Master Ranger, Jesus Christ. In this lesson we will see how He was "READY."

(Complete the following verses)

JESUS WAS "READY" TO WORK

1. John 9:4, "I _____ the works of him that sent me, while it is day."
2. Luke 2:49, "And he said unto them, How is it that ye sought me? _____ (know) ye not that I _____ be about my Father's business?"

JESUS WAS "READY" TO OBEY

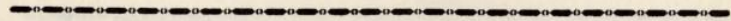
3. John 6:38, "For I came down from heaven, not to do mine own will, but the _____."
4. John 4:34, "Jesus saith unto them, My meat is to _____ the _____ of him that sent me, and to finish _____."
5. John 15:10, "If ye keep my commandments, ye shall abide in my love; even as I _____ my Father's _____."

Jesus was not only "READY" to work and to obey, but He was "READY" to do more:

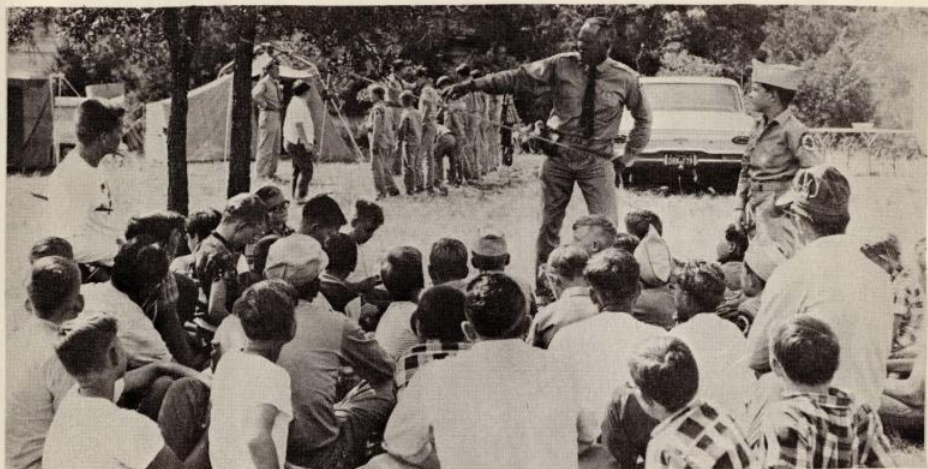
JESUS WAS "READY" TO DIE

6. Matt. 26:39, "And he went a little further, and fell on his face, and prayed, saying, O my Father, if it be possible, let this cup pass from me: nevertheless, not as I will, _____."
7. Luke 22:42, "Saying, Father, if thou be willing, remove this cup from me: nevertheless, _____, but _____, be done."
8. Philippians 2:8, "And being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself, and became _____ unto _____, even the death of the _____."

It is through Jesus' death on the cross that we have forgiveness of sins and the hope of eternal life. Since our Master Ranger was "READY" to work, obey, and die for us, can we do less than live for Him? Are you "READY"?



No steam or gas ever drives anything until it is confined. No Niagara is ever turned into light and power until it is tunneled. No life ever grows great until it is focused, dedicated, disciplined. — Harry Emerson Fosdick



ROYAL RANGER WEEK

June 19-26 is National Royal Ranger Week!

Be sure to plan several special activities during this week and put the spotlight on your Royal Rangers as they celebrate "their week."

Try one or more of the following suggestions for Royal Ranger Week.

FATHER-SON CAMP-OUT

Arrange an overnight camp-out for men and boys. Encourage fathers and sons to pitch their tents together, cook their food over a campfire together, play camp-type games together, hike the woods together and share a campfire service together. Some men may hesitate because they dread certain discomforts. Proper camping can be a pleasant experience and the benefits of a father-son camp-out far outweigh any possible discomforts. Sharing camping activities together can build a bond of fellowship between a father and son that could last for years.

Urge all of the men to participate. If a man does not have a son encourage him to adopt a son for the event.

GROUP RECOGNITION

Arrange with the pastor to have the Royal Rangers attend one of the church services during Royal Ranger week as a group in uniform. Arrange for them to sit in a special section of the church together. Recognize or have the pastor recognize the group during the service. Some pastors will probably want to slant their message toward men and boys on this occasion.

FATHER-SON BANQUETS

Men who do not have sons should be encouraged to "adopt a boy" for the banquet. Make this a big affair. Boys love to sit with Dad during the banquet. Climax with a special speaker.

FATHER-SON PICNICS

Arrange for appropriate activities for the occasions such as father-son ball game, father-son sack race, father-son tug-of-war, etc. A wonderful atmosphere can be created when men and boys play together. It is a big day in a boy's life when he and Dad have pulled together as a team to win some event. Climax the event with a big picnic lunch, wiener roast, or watermelon feed.

NEW SERVICE STARS

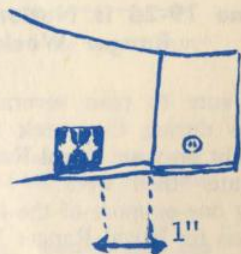


A new embroidered service star has been designed for Royal Rangers. These service stars are worn on the uniforms by both men and boys to denote the number of years of service in Royal Rangers. One gold star is worn for each year in the program. For each five years of participation, a silver service star is worn to replace the previous gold stars.

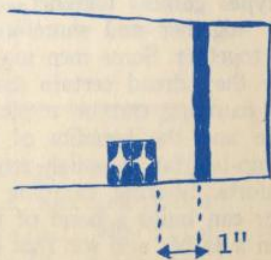
On uniform shirts: The stars are worn on the right sleeve, beginning one inch in back of the cuff. The bottom of the service stars is lined up with the opening at the bottom of the sleeve. (See illustration)

On uniform coats: The stars are worn on the right sleeve, beginning one inch in back of the sleeve braid. The bottom of the service stars is lined up with the bottom seam on the coat sleeve. (See illustration)

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