SUMMER FRIENDSHIP GATHERINGS

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OBJECT LESSON, DAY 1 – GOD'S HOLINESS

- The theme for this summer is, "HE IS WORTHY."
- **Object Lesson Day 1:** Demonstrate God's holiness in seeing his separateness from anyone or anything. He is perfect and pure.
- Props to use:
 - A large cylinder glass filled about halfway with water (about 6 oz.)
 - A glass of vegetable oil (about 4 oz.)
 - Only 1 drop of food coloring a darker color (green, blue)
 - A tray to set the glasses on to catch any water
 - About 4 oz. of bleach (DO NOT use splash proof bleach)
 - A straw for stirring

Object Lesson Script

- Have you ever thought about what God's Holiness looks like? It's something we can't really see with our eyes like we can see the sunrise, a newborn baby, or a great waterfall.
- Yet when we look at some of God's creation, we
 do see His holiness. We see something separate,
 unlike anything that we could ever create or do on
 - our own. God is Holy, He is perfect, pure, and above anything or anyone.



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OBJECT LESSON, DAY 1 CONTINUED

- Today we are going do a little experiment to show you what we mean when we say, "God is Holy." Holy means perfect, and we know God is perfect. Unlike us, there is no trace of evil in God. We sin, but God never sins.
- This glass of water represents us. I am only going to put 1 drop of food coloring in the glass (stir with the straw). This food coloring is sin in our lives. We all sin. We are not pure; we are not perfect. Only God is perfect!
- God is Holy, or perfect (Hold up the glass of oil). Like this glass of oil. The
 Holiness of God means there is no one like Him, He's the only One. God
 doesn't have any sin in Him. God is totally set apart from anyone or
 anything else. He is the only perfect Person.
- God wanted to show Moses His that He is a Holy God. He did something that was unlike anything Moses had ever seen. Do you remember what it was? That's right... He showed Moses a bush that was on fire but was not burning up.
- When Moses wanted to come closer, God told Moses to stop and take off his sandals. God wanted Moses to know that the ground he was standing on was not ordinary ground.
- God is Holy and that made the ground holy, sacred, clean, and perfect. God wanted to teach Moses He is worthy of honor and respect.
- What do you think will happen when I pour the glass of water into the glass with the oil? Let's wait a little and see. (You will need to let the glass settle for a few moments for it to separate).

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OBJECT LESSON, DAY 1 CONTINUED

- Look! The water and oil separated. God's Holiness cannot mix with our sinfulness. He is perfect and pure. He is all together set apart from us.
- But wait!! We are still filled with sin. Let's look what Jesus did when he died
 on the cross and washed away our sins. This bleach represents Jesus and
 His work on the cross for us. We will see that Jesus cleans us from our sin.
- (Add the bleach to the water and oil mixture and stir. You will need to wait a few minutes to let the bleach work and the oil to go up to the top again).
- I will add bleach to the water and oil mixture. Give it a little stir. Let's watch what happens.
- When we trust in Jesus to wash away our sins. He makes us pure. The Bible says in Galatians 2:20, "I have been crucified with Christ and I no longer live, but Christ lives in me." It is Jesus who now lives in us and makes us pure.
- Even though we are saved from our sins through Jesus Christ, God is still Holy and above us. Remember, He is the only perfect Person and there is no sin in Him.
- See how the water, even though it is clean now, is still separated from the oil? God is above everything and there is nothing or no one that is greater than Him. This makes God worthy of our worship and praise.

