

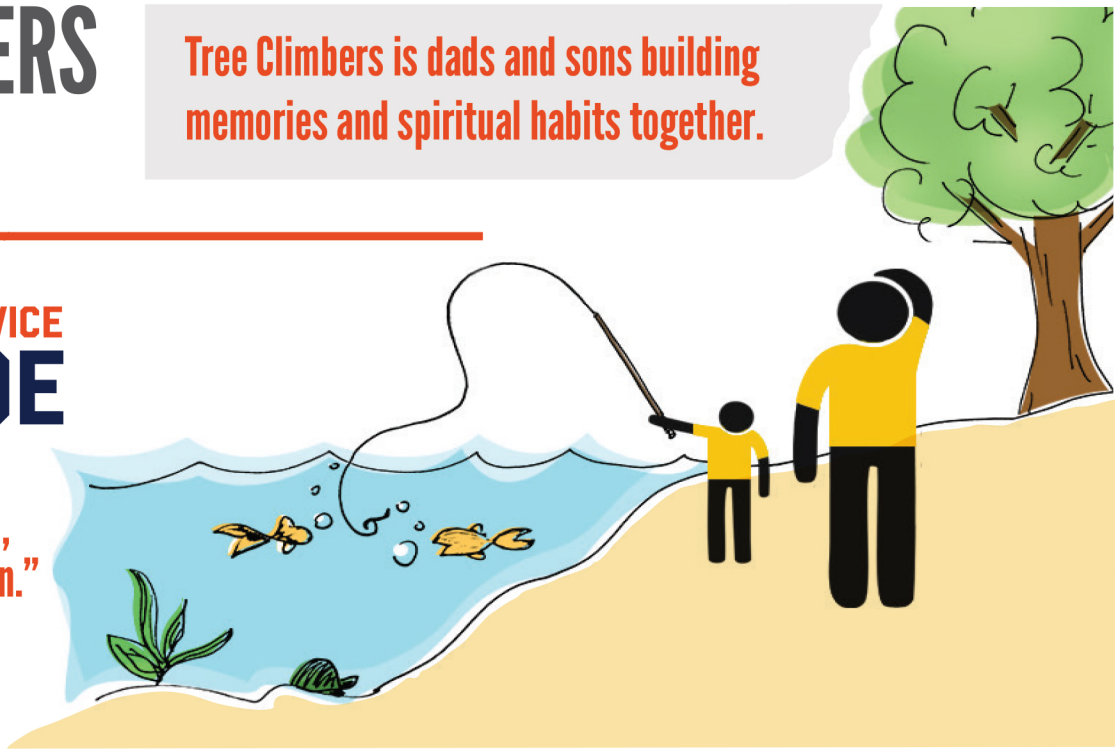
TREE CLIMBERS OVERVIEW

Tree Climbers is dads and sons building memories and spiritual habits together.

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“Godly men taking responsibility to serve, lead, and disciple each generation.”



TREE CLIMBERS is Fathers and Sons, Men and Boys

Boys need their dad and Tree Climbers brings intentionality to meeting this need. Tree Climbers provides the context for a weekly engagement of a dad being involved in his son's life, building a strong relationship between them. For the fatherless boy a grandfather or another man in the church is matched with the boy. Tree Climbers allows men to learn together with other men in the raising of their sons.

TREE CLIMBERS is Fun Activities

Games, projects and stories form the core of the meeting; all of which is tied to a Biblical theme. Each week men and boys go on an adventure together to explore and discover the beauty and wonder that is God's Creation.

TREE CLIMBERS is Learning Spiritual Habits

Through age-appropriate materials dads and sons develop the spiritual habits of prayer, Bible reading and fellowship. These habits will serve both father and son for a lifetime of practical Christian living. Tree Climbers equips men with the tools to instill God's Word in their sons' hearts.

TREE CLIMBERS is THE First Step

Tree Climbers is just the beginning of a 14-year discipleship track where godly men invest in a boy as he journeys from boyhood to manhood. Tree Climbers is the beginning of the boy's life-long journey of pursuing Christ. Dads are invited to join their son as he moves on to the Stockade program and beyond.



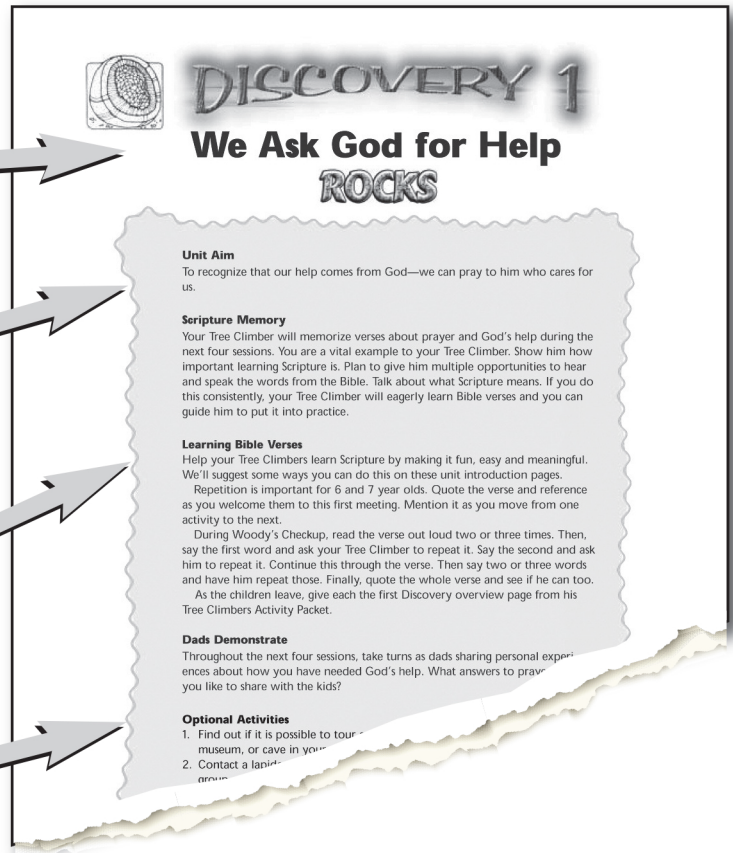
Equip dads and other men to spend quality time with young boys exploring creation and growing closer to God.

Fun Themes build bridges into God's Word.

Clear Spiritual Objective keeps men intentional about discipleship.

Scripture Memory and Bible discussion is designed to empower men in practical discussion of God's Word with their sons and other boys.

Options add Flexibility to your planning.



DISCOVERY 1
We Ask God for Help
ROCKS

Unit Aim
To recognize that our help comes from God—we can pray to him who cares for us.

Scripture Memory
Your Tree Climber will memorize verses about prayer and God's help during the next four sessions. You are a vital example to your Tree Climber. Show him how important learning Scripture is. Plan to give him multiple opportunities to hear and speak the words from the Bible. Talk about what Scripture means. If you do this consistently, your Tree Climber will eagerly learn Bible verses and you can guide him to put it into practice.

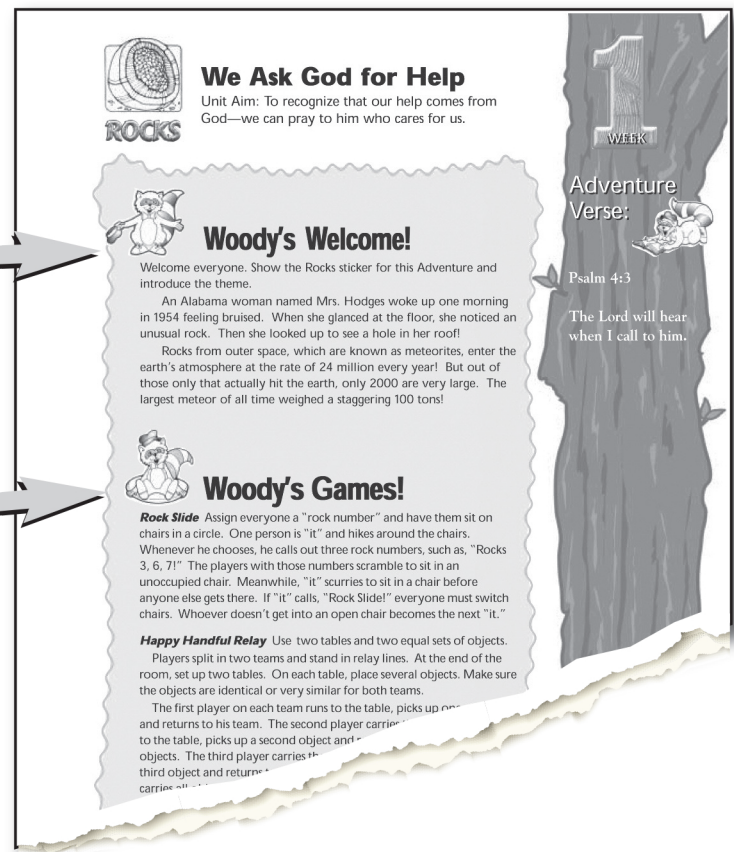
Learning Bible Verses
Help your Tree Climbers learn Scripture by making it fun, easy and meaningful. We'll suggest some ways you can do this on these unit introduction pages.
Repetition is important for 6 and 7 year olds. Quote the verse and reference as you welcome them to this first meeting. Mention it as you move from one activity to the next.
During Woody's Checkup, read the verse out loud two or three times. Then, say the first word and ask your Tree Climber to repeat it. Say the second and ask him to repeat it. Continue this through the verse. Then say two or three words and have him repeat those. Finally, quote the whole verse and see if he can too.
As the children leave, give each the first Discovery overview page from his Tree Climbers Activity Packet.

Dads Demonstrate
Throughout the next four sessions, take turns as dads sharing personal experiences about how you have needed God's help. What answers to prayer you like to share with the kids?

Optional Activities
1. Find out if it is possible to tour a museum, or cave in your area.
2. Contact a local geologist.

Welcome time offers a comfortable way to transition everyone into the formal meeting.

Games are a great way to burn off energy, build relationships and grow physically and mentally. Boys and men alike enjoy a good challenge and teamwork.



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Woody's Welcome!
Welcome everyone. Show the Rocks sticker for this Adventure and introduce the theme.
An Alabama woman named Mrs. Hodges woke up one morning in 1954 feeling bruised. When she glanced at the floor, she noticed an unusual rock. Then she looked up to see a hole in her roof!
Rocks from outer space, which are known as meteorites, enter the earth's atmosphere at the rate of 24 million every year! But out of those only that actually hit the earth, only 2000 are very large. The largest meteor of all time weighed a staggering 100 tons!

Woody's Games!
Rock Slide Assign everyone a "rock number" and have them sit on chairs in a circle. One person is "it" and hikes around the chairs. Whenever he chooses, he calls out three rock numbers, such as, "Rocks 3, 6, 7!" The players with those numbers scramble to sit in an unoccupied chair. Meanwhile, "it" scurries to sit in a chair before anyone else gets there. If "it" calls, "Rock Slide!" everyone must switch chairs. Whoever doesn't get into an open chair becomes the next "it."
Happy Handful Relay Use two tables and two equal sets of objects. Players split in two teams and stand in relay lines. At the end of the room, set up two tables. On each table, place several objects. Make sure the objects are identical or very similar for both teams.
The first player on each team runs to the table, picks up one object and returns to his team. The second player carries the object to the table, picks up a second object and returns to his team. The third player carries the third object and returns to his team. The fourth player carries the fourth object and returns to his team.

Adventure Verse:
Psalm 4:3
The Lord will hear when I call to him.



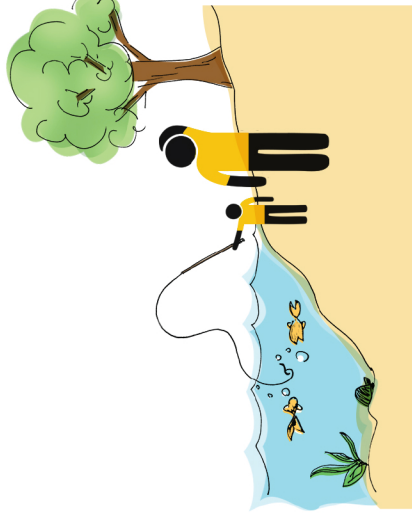
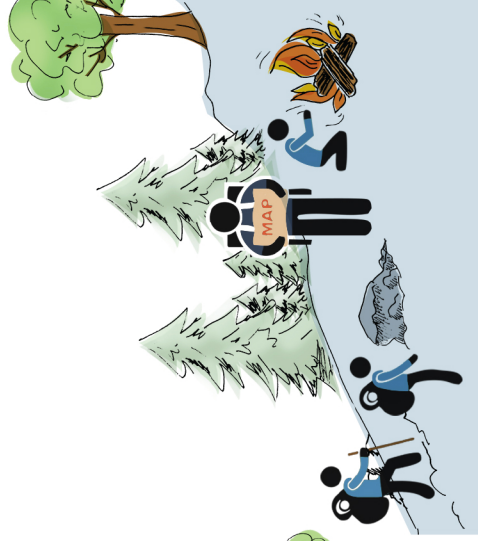
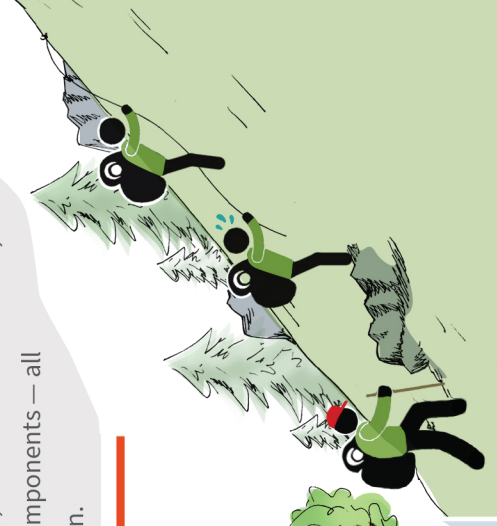
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- ☒ Action-Focused ☒ Relational ☒ Single-Gender ☒ Comprehensive ☒ Flexible

Core Program Elements include:

Games, Action-Focused Activities, Engaging Stories, Personal Achievements, Leadership Development and Group Discipline components — all designed to help Men Disciple the Next Generation.

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TREE CLIMBERS: Grades K-2

- TC is FATHERS AND SONS
- TC is FUN ACTIVITIES
- TC is LEARNING SPIRITUAL HABITS
- TC is the FIRST STEP



STOCKADE: Grades 3-6

- Stockade is LARGE GROUP
- Stockade is SMALL GROUP
- Stockade is ONE-ON-ONE
- Stockade is MENTAL, PHYSICAL, SPIRITUAL AND SOCIAL GROWTH



BATTALION: Grades 7-12

- Battalion is MEN
- Battalion is YOUNG MEN
- Battalion is LEADERSHIP DEVELOPMENT
- Battalion is SERVICE
- Battalion is BECOMING A GODLY MAN



HERALD OF CHRIST:

- HoC SETS A BIBLICAL STANDARD OF GODLY MANHOOD
- HoC is CSB'S PINNACLE RECOGNITION
- HoC LEADS TO INFLUENCING THE WORLD FOR CHRIST
- HoC is A DISCIPLESHIP PATH

