



Christian Faith Activities

These requirements may be done in the family, unit, or church setting at the discretion of the boy's family.

Name _____

Do all of the following requirements (I-2)

- ____1. Describe the concept of the Trinity and each person of the Triune God.
- ____2. Make a list of religious practices and do them for four weeks.
 - Practices could include praying, singing, daily Bible reading, participating in a Bible study, attending church or Sunday school, or treating others with respect, love and kindness.
 - The number of practices is left to the youth and his parent or Mentor to select.

Do five of the following requirements (3-14) with at least one from each topic

Faith (Do at least one)

- ____3. Invite a religious leader to your home or unit meeting. Possible leaders include those from your church or from your troop's church and may be either professional staff (ministers, pastors, priests, bishops, etc.) or lay leaders (Sunday school teachers, elders, deacons, etc.). Participate in a faith discussion using the following suggested discussion questions:
 - What is faith?
 - Who are some people who have publicly demonstrated their faith?
 - What good qualities do people of strong Christian faith possess?
 - What are some ways we can incorporate those qualities into our lives?
 - What problems do people of faith face and how do they overcome them?

- What challenges might you encounter in exercising your faith?
- Who can help you with those challenges?

____ 4. Participate in a family faith discussion using the suggested discussion questions above and discuss the following with your family:

____ a. The importance of faith in God

____ b. How your family demonstrates your faith

____ 5. Discuss with your Mentor, Chartered Organization Representative, or Troop Chaplain the values Christian religious faith has in common with the Trail Life USA Oath and Motto.

____ 6. Explain the difference between believing in Jesus and actually living the Christian lifestyle.

Community (Do at least one)

____ 7. In addition to any church services attended as part of requirement 2, attend a special Christmas, Easter, or other church holiday service and discuss what you learned about the specific holiday message with your family or Mentor.

____ 8. Learn the words to a new worship song or hymn, or teach your family or unit a prayer or song for grace before a meal.

____ 9. Perform the invocation or benediction for a troop awards ceremony or special event, or perform or lead grace before two meals on a campout.

____ 10. Coordinate with your pastor to perform an act of service for your church, your troop's church, or through one of their ministries.

Church History (Do at least one)

Church history resources include:

- "The 100 Most Important Events in Christian History," AK Curtis, JS Lang and R Petersen, Grand Rapids, MI: Fleming H. Revell, 1991.
- "Famous Men of the Renaissance and Reformation," RG Shearer, Lebanon, TN: Greenleaf Books, 1996.
- National Catholic Committee on Scouting (NCCS) religious activities, including:

- The Rosary Series
- The Footsteps of American Saints

_____II. Explain the following for the phrase "Forgive us our debts (trespasses) as we forgive our debtors (those who trespass against us)."

- _____a. Where it is found in the Bible
- _____b. Who said it
- _____c. What famous prayer contains it
- _____d. What the phrase means in the context of that prayer

_____I2. Learn about and describe an important event or person in the history of Christianity or complete an NCCS Religious Activity.

_____I3. Repeat requirement I2 with a different event, person or NCCS Religious Activity than that used to complete requirement I2.

_____I4. Repeat requirement I2 with a different event, person or NCCS Religious Activity than those used to complete requirements I2 and I3.

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Date

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