

Heart behind the theme

Dear Camper,

In **Acts 7**, we encounter a man named Stephen whose world was being shaken beyond our comprehension. He was misunderstood, falsely accused, rejected, and ultimately faced death because of his faith in Jesus and his bold proclamation of the Gospel. Yet, in the midst of everything happening around him, Stephen remained **unshaken**. His confidence was not found in himself, his circumstances, the approval of people, or the promise of an easy life. His confidence was found in knowing who Christ is and knowing that Christ alone saves. The picture we get from Scripture is of a man whose joy, peace, and strength came from the Lord, right up to the very end.

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At Summer Camp, our prayer is that every camper would discover and grow in that same unshakable faith. Life will attempt to shake us. Friendships change, circumstances become difficult, people disappoint us, and sometimes even hurt us. Following Jesus will cost us something—following Jesus costs everything. But just as Stephen stood firm and fixed his eyes on Jesus, we want our campers to learn what it means to be unshakable, unwavering, and bold in their faith: to know Him, trust Him, and stand for Him no matter what comes their way.

This is why we believe Summer Camp is so important. We don't simply want teenagers to come and have a great week; we want them to encounter God's Word, grow deeper in their relationship with Jesus, build friendships with other believers, and be equipped to live for Christ when they return home. Our prayer is that you would see Summer Camp as an opportunity to invest in the next generation—to send their teenagers into a week where they can be challenged, encouraged, discipled, and reminded that their hope is not found in the world around them, **but in Jesus Christ.**

Because when our eyes are fixed on Jesus, we can remain unshaken.