



The tent peg

AT A GLANCE


Bible

Colossians 2:7


Topic

Firmly anchored


Takeaway

Whoever is rooted in Jesus stands firm even in a storm



5 minutes



Object: a tent peg, a piece of guy rope and a mallet



Preparation: 5 min



indoors or outdoors



Make it personal: In two sentences, share something you have experienced yourself on the topic "Firmly anchored". Real stories stick best.



How the devotion works

1 min

Opening

Hold up the tent peg. Ask: What is this – and what happens to a tent if the pegs are missing or only loosely in the ground?

2 min

Story

A tent may be ever so nice: without pegs it blows away at the first gust of wind. The peg is small and unremarkable, but it holds everything in place – because it is deep and at an angle in the ground. Paul writes to the Christians in Colossae: "Stay rooted in Jesus and build your lives on him. Be strengthened in the faith and overflow with thankfulness."

1 min

Thought

Our faith needs "pegs" too: prayer, reading the Bible, fellowship, church. They seem small, but they hold us firm when storms come – arguments, fear, bad marks. Now everyone may knock the peg a little into the ground (or into a bucket of soil) and say what helps them stay close to Jesus.

1 min

Question for all

Which "peg" helps you stand firm in your faith?



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Prayer to read aloud

Lord Jesus, you are my firm ground. Help me to be deeply rooted in you, so that no storm can knock me over. Amen.



For leaders

- Let a child read the prayer aloud – it builds confidence.
- Two or three answers to the question are enough. Nobody has to say anything.
- Leave the object in view until the end of the meeting.



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