



Strengthening Your Stakes **Isaiah 54:2**

Ice Breaker:

Pick the word that best describes your camping prowess be prepared to explain why.

- a) Brownie
- b) Cub Scout
- c) Webelo
- d) Eagle
- e) Hilton

Share with your group a short, funny (maybe embarrassing) camping story.

Questions:

1. Since Growth is a by-product of Health, define in your own words what these terms mean to you:
 - A sense of God's presence
 - Unity
 - Vision
 - Being fed
 - Lives being changed
 - Humility
 - Joy
 - Love and care
 - Authenticity
2. In what ways is a tent stake a good metaphor for our faith walk with Christ?
Why?
Remember: Longer, Thicker, Stronger
3. When a blacksmith is forming a tool, why do they pound on it?
Answer: A to remove impurities from the molten metal and B to shape the molten metal into a useful tool for future use.

4. Stronger: Knowing what you're made of.
How do we accomplish this?
5. Thicker: Responding to life's experiences as allowed by God.
What is your current response to a situation that God has allowed?
6. Longer: Becoming more dependent on God
Which Bible personality do you think was the most dependent upon God?
Who do you know personally that demonstrates this ability?
7. What do you want to see God do in your life as your stakes are strengthened?
8. What do you think God wants to do in your life as your stakes are strengthened?