



HAPPY EASTER

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Focus Most of us have spoken the word “Amen.” This word is used all over the world and is the same in Hebrew, Greek, Latin, and English. Amen was used in the Old and New Testaments and is still used today. It has been used to affirm a curse, emphasize agreement, and even speak in anger. But what it really means is that God’s Word and His promises are true.

Fun Share an interesting fact about yourself that most people do not know.

Review Key Scriptures: 2 Corinthians 1:20; John 3:3; Revelation 1:18

1. Amen in the Old Testament

It may seem peculiar that God made the men of Israel say “Amen” at the end of a list of curses. However, this affirmation was needed to make them aware of and understand the consequences of disobedience (Deuteronomy 27:14–16).

2. Amen in the New Testament

Jesus said “Amen” more than anyone else in the New Testament. He also used it at the beginning of a sentence, often repeating it for emphasis. John 3:3 says, “Truly, truly ...” as if Jesus was telling us, “My Father says this is true, and now I say it is true.”

3. The Amen of God

When Jesus was on earth, the disciples *thought* He was the Son of God. After the resurrection, they *knew* He was the Son of God. We can believe God’s Word when He says, “I am He who lives, and was dead, and behold, I am alive forevermore. Amen” (Revelation 1:18).

Group Dynamics Idea Keeping this week’s message in mind, ask the members of your group to take turns stating a biblical promise, and after each one, have everyone say, “Amen.”

Discuss

1. Some people believe the word “Amen” means “so be it.” What does the word “Amen” really mean?
2. Read Deuteronomy 27:14–16. Why would God have the people say “Amen” to affirm a curse?
3. Why do you think John 3:3 begins with the words, “Truly, truly ...”? After reading the entire sentence, what is the significance of this statement?
4. God’s creative process is this: The Father wills it; the Son words it; and the Spirit works it. Give an example of how His creative process has worked in your life.
5. Do you believe God’s promises are true today? If so, how has your life been guided by His promises?
6. Revelation 1:18 reads, “I am He who lives and was dead, and behold, I am alive forevermore. Amen.” How should we respond to this truth?
7. Quietly reflect on John 3:3 and Revelation 1:18. If you have never submitted your will to Christ, you can do it now. Admit your mistakes, believe in Him, and He will wash you clean. Jesus loves you and wants to spend eternity with you.

Take Home As we conclude, remember these things.

Amen can be used in several ways:

- It can be used to affirm a curse.
- It can be used in agreement.
- It can be used to emphasize a promise.

Prayer

Lord, Your word is truth. We believe You are the Son of God. Please forgive our sins and wash us clean. We give You our will and our hearts. In Jesus’ name, Amen.

New Leader Tip Contact one person or family from your group and ask if there is something you can pray for them that week. Select someone different to pray for each week. Nothing knits a group together more than heartfelt prayer.