

## Marketplace 2023 (June 20, 21, & 22)

### “In The Beginning”

#### Information for Parents

This year at Marketplace we will begin promptly at 9:00 A.M. each morning. Children will gather for opening exercises at the Tabernacle where they will gather as a Tribal family. Each “tribe” will have their own biblical name. They will remain as a “tribe” as they follow the schedule of the day. After Opening Exercises, singing together and a presentation of the character we will study for the day, they are dismissed as “tribes” to go to their tribal location to begin their day as a typical Hebrew family. This involves the lighting of the candle, smelling the spice box, and mixing in the bread which will be eaten for lunch. At the sound of the ram’s horn (shofar) the children will go to, or depending on their schedule, they may attend music, take a caravan to the story teller or visit the synagogue. At Marketplace there will be opportunities to have “hands-on” experiential learning and interacting experiences with the shopkeepers. Here each of the shopkeepers will share with the children about the life and customs of this period of time. They will also be teaching them about how to make things that relate to that particular character. The task is to help each individual enter into the world of the Bible and experience its content as their own. Live animals will be on the grounds to add to the atmosphere of the Marketplace. At lunch time the tribal family will share the meal together (eating the bread they made earlier that morning and sent to the Bakery) and discuss the events of the day. In the afternoon the schedule continues until Marketplace closes. The tribal families then gather for a closing moment at the Tabernacle. We will end promptly at 2:30

Please have your child/youth wear old clothes and shoes as we will be outside. It can get muddy if it rains. However, we do have shelter in case of bad weather!

If you have questions or would like to volunteer, please feel free to contact

Your local church coordinator \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_

Your local church pastor \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_

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