



Roaring Rapids School

Student Writing Workbook

Chapter 47 - From Enemies to Friends

Name: _____ Date: _____

Vocabulary

Learn these words or phrases and add two of your choice from the story. Use a dictionary or Google Search. Write short definitions in your own words.

1. conversion _____
2. persecuting _____
3. Damascus Road _____
4. tradition _____
5. grace _____
6. miracle _____
7. _____

Ranch Talk - "shook hands"

Western Expression

When two people "shook hands," it often meant more than a greeting. It could mean they made peace, showed respect, or agreed to stop being enemies.

In Chapter 47: Old Man Caldwell says, "Most folks remember who won the fight. The Lord's usually more interested in who finally shook hands."

Comprehension Questions

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1. Where are Jake, Mary, Caldwell, Colt, Thomas, Tiny, and Boone talking after church?

2. What Bible story did Pastor Kendall preach about that morning?

3. Why did Colt say Paul was sent to people he never expected to love?

4. Why did Old Man Caldwell ask Jake and Colt to raise the flag together every Independence Day?

5. What did Caldwell say the Lord is usually more interested in than who won the fight?

Writing Task

Writing Task (5-10 Sentences)

Choose ONE from the self-study handout, write your answer, and read aloud. Organize your ideas before writing.

Option A: Summarize what happens in Chapter 47.

Option B: Explain how Paul’s conversion helped Jake and Colt think about their own friendship.

Option C: Write about why remembering peace can be more important than remembering old battles.

Option D: Explain Old Man Caldwell’s sentence: “Most folks remember who won the fight. The Lord's usually more interested in who finally shook hands.”

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Extra Reflection Activity

Chapter 47 shows grace, changed hearts, friendship after conflict, peace, and the freedom Jesus gives. Write three ways Jake and Colt's friendship points to God's grace.

1. _____

2. _____

3. _____

Think About It

Jake and Colt once fought on different sides in the war, but they became friends. Caldwell wanted the children to remember the peace, not only the past conflict.

Question: Why can God's grace help people build a different future?

Final Sentence Practice

Complete this sentence:

God's grace can change a heart by
