



EXPLORE THE BIBLE.

Session 3: Seek God

Suggested Week of Use: September 18, 2022

Core Passage: Amos 5:4-15

News Story Summary

In western Greenland, an American company called Kobold Metals has begun a massive treasure hunt to find critical minerals, including nickel and cobalt. In areas once covered by ice, the hope is that a large lode of precious minerals can now be extracted. Those minerals can then be used to create cleaner forms of energy in the future. The expedition includes thirty geologists, cooks, pilots, mechanics, and geophysicists. The crew is using drones and helicopters to measure the electromagnetic field below the surface to see where the minerals might be. The group wants to start drilling next summer.

For more about this story, search “Mineral hunt in Greenland.”

Focus Attention

To supplement the opening activity under Focus Attention, ask the group to recall the last thing they lost. Ask: *How long did you search for the item? How much would you have been willing to pay to find that item?* Allow volunteers to share their experiences, including why that item was so important to them. Be prepared to share your own story of losing something valuable. Share the story of the massive search for minerals in Greenland. (Video news accounts of this expedition can be found online if you want to show it to the class instead of telling the story.) Point out that Kobold Metals believes the search for these minerals is worth the cost. Say: *Today’s Bible study in Amos examines a different sort of searching, one with much more important implications.*

Summarize and Challenge

To supplement the closing activity under Summarize and Challenge, recall the story of the Greenland mineral search. Point out the massive expense involved in such an expedition. Ask: *What are the possible results the expedition? What would make this search worth the cost?* Recall the discussion you had during Bible study. Ask: *What are some of the benefits of seeking God? What are the negative consequences of not seeking Him? How do you know when you’re truly seeking God?* Direct the group to think about whether their lives and hearts are marked by a desire to seek and know God. Challenge them to pursue God this week. Close in prayer.